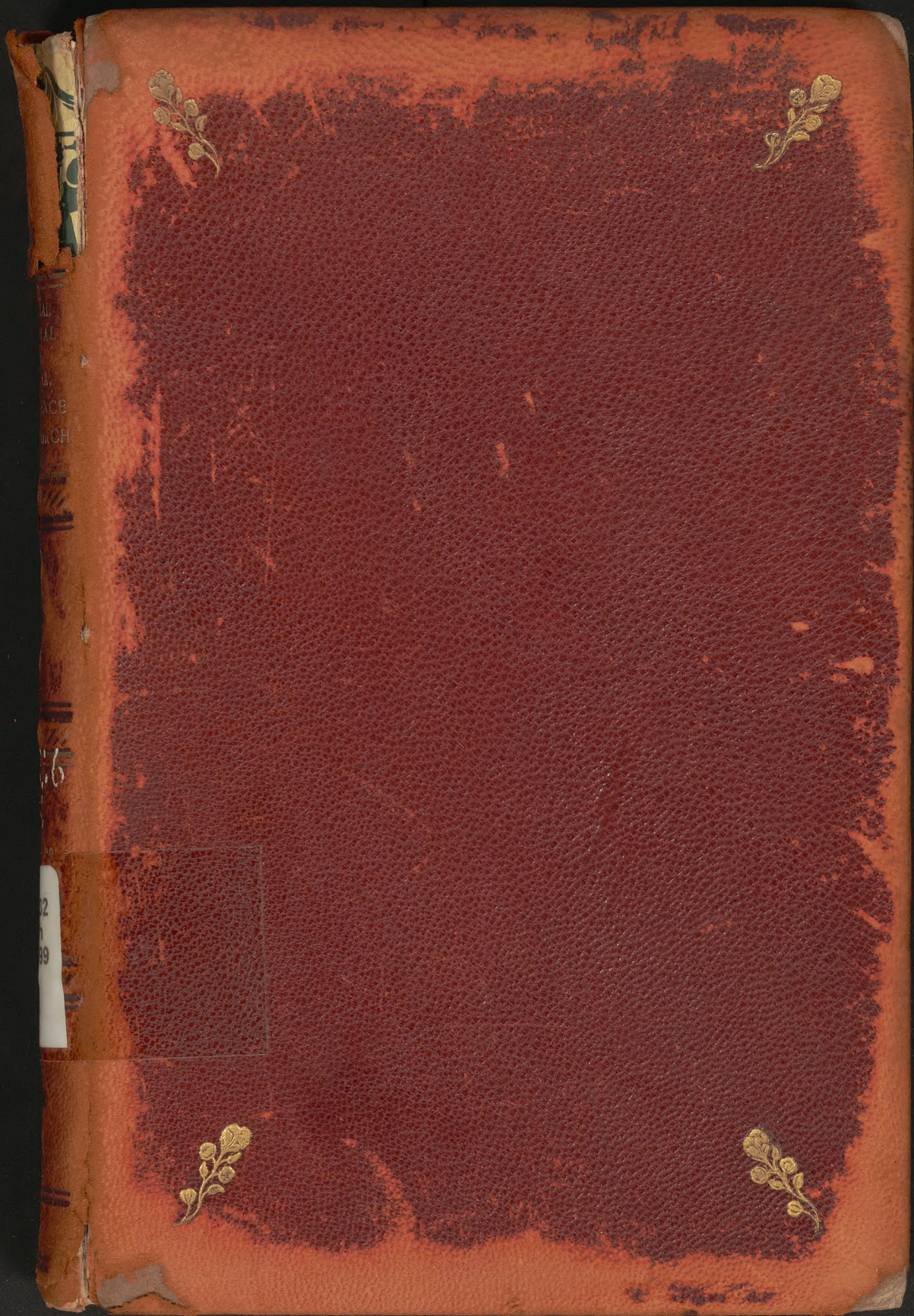
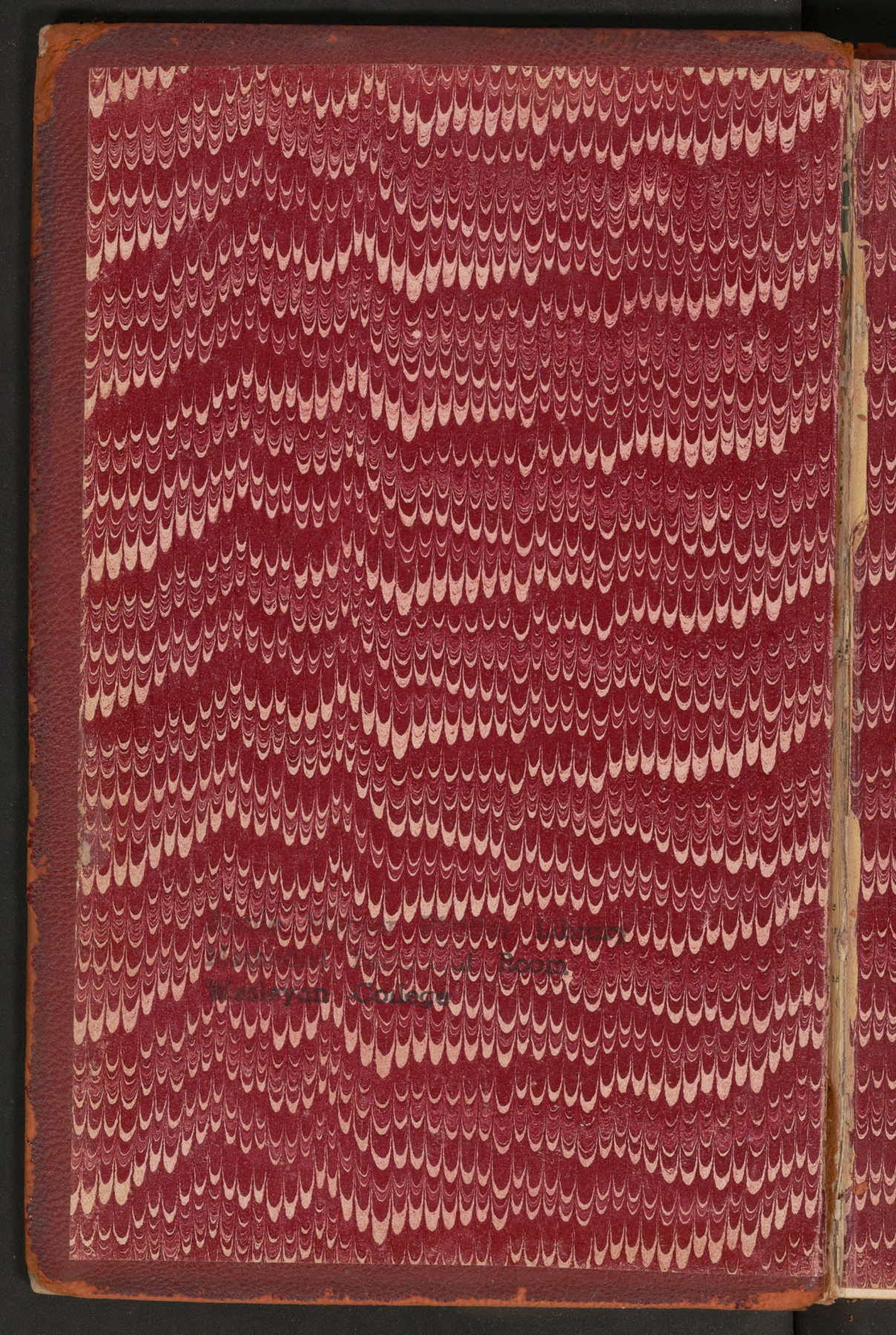






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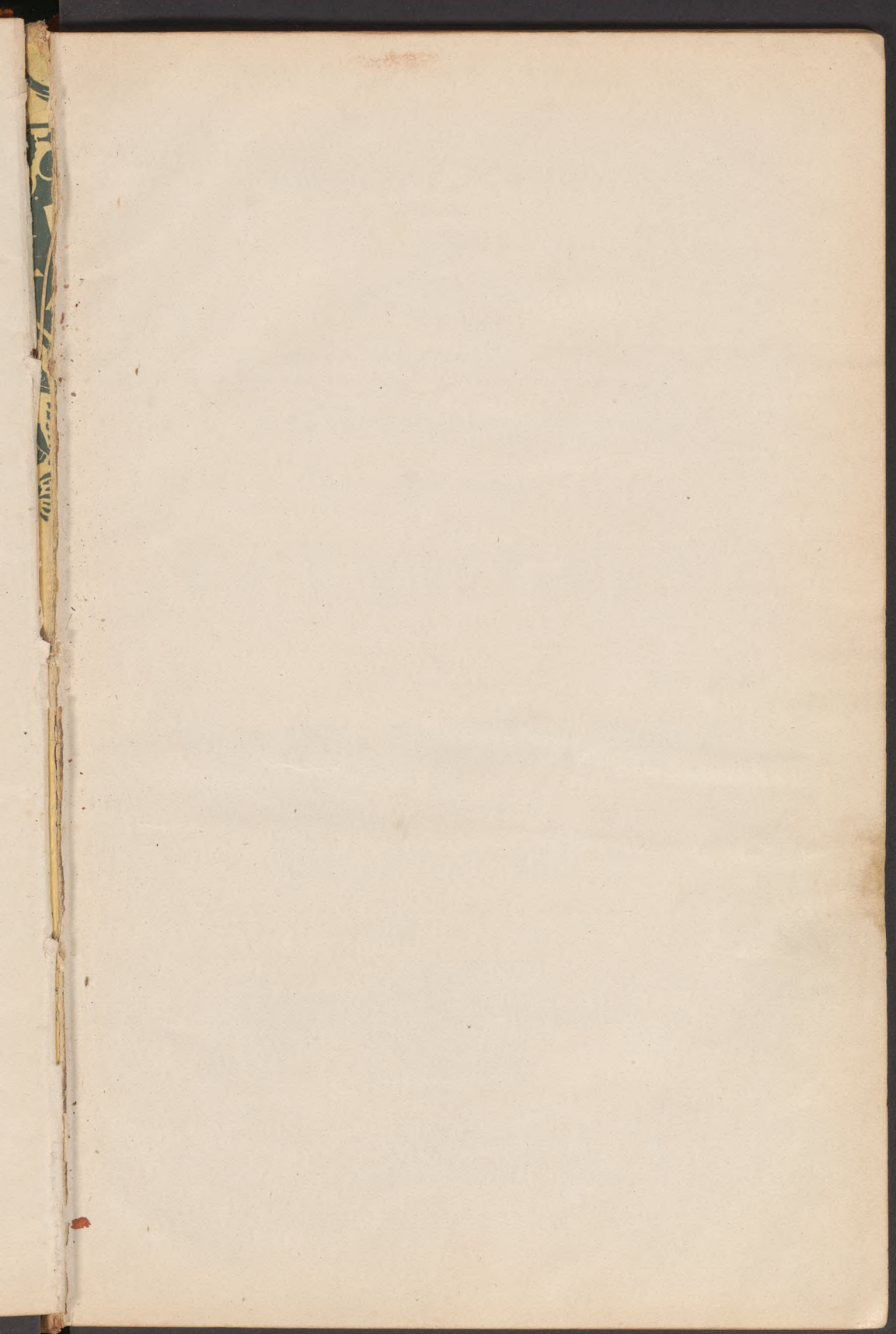
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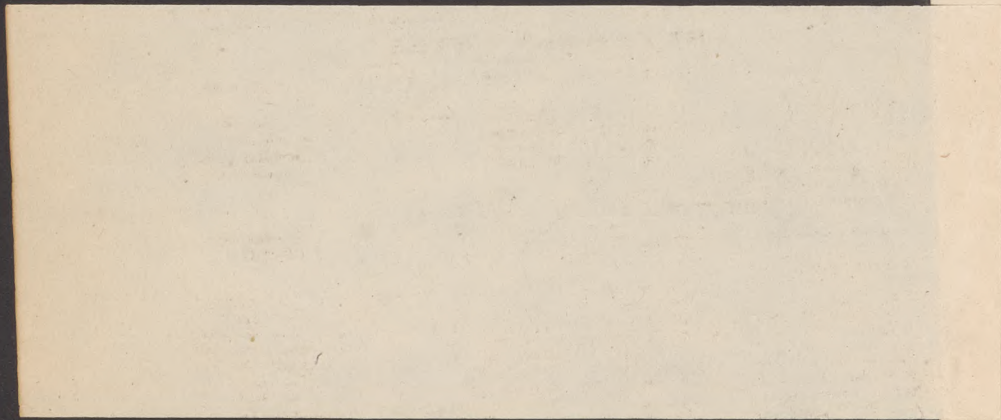
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- 128 Williams, G. H.

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- 130 Withers, E. S.
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- 2 George Edwin Fuller.
- 3 John Frum McClure.
- 4 John James Reynolds
- 5 Chas. Wesley Stephan
- 6 Daniel Westfall.
- 7 Bertram L. Mercer.
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- 9 William E. Craig.
- 10 Pinkney Z. Musgrave.
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Year	Time.	Place.	Bishop.	Secretary.
1848	July 4	Wheeling	Hamlin	Charles Cooke
1849	October 5	Clarksburg	Waugh	Alexander Martin.
1850	June 5	Parkersburg	Janes	" "
1851	" 4	Charleston	Morris	" "
1852	" 10	Morgantown	Simpson	" "
1853	" 8	Weston	Baker	" "
1854	May 30	Fairmont	Scott	" "
1855	" 31	Wheeling	Morris	" "
1856	June 12	Buckhannon	Ames	S. R. Dawson.
1857	April 16	Moundsville	Simpson	" "
1858	" 15	Charleston	Ames	" "
1859	" 20	Parkersburg	Morris	" "
1860	March 14	Morgantown	Scott	" "
1861	" 13	Wheeling	Baker	Samuel Steele.
1862	" 12	Parkersburg	Scott	" "
1863	" 18	Fairmont	Morris	Alexander Martin.
1864	" 16	Parkersburg	Morris	" "
1865	" 8	Wheeling	Janes	" "
1866	" 21	Morgantown	Clark	" "
1867	" 14	Catlettsburg, Ky.	Thompson	" "
1868	" 11	Moundsville	Kingsley	Samuel Steele.
1869	" 11	Clarksburg	Ames	Alexander Martin.
1870	" 10	Charleston	Thomson	J. L. Clark.
1871	" 9	Parkersburg	Clark	" "
1872	" 6	Wheeling	Simpson	" "
1873	" 5	Guyandotte	Andrews	" "
1874	" 11	Fairmont	Scott	" "
1875	" 3	Point Pleasant	Bowman	" "
1876	" 15	Wheeling	Harris	" "
1877	" 11	Grafton	Ames	" "
1877	October 4	Charleston	Scott	" "
1878	" 10	Parkersburg	Harris	G. C. Wilding.
1879	" 1	Morgantown	Simpson	" "
1880	" 14	Huntington	Peck	" "
1881	" 5	Moundsville	Foster	" "
1882	" 4	Clarksburg	Andrews	" "
1883	" 10	Wheeling	Harris	" "
1884	" 1	Buckhannon	Walden	" "
1885	Sept. 24	Charleston	Merrill	W. G. Riheldaffer.
1886	" 23	Morgantown	Mallaliéu	" "
1887	October 6	Parkersburg	Bowman	" "
1888	Sept. 26	Fairmont	Foster	" "
1889	" 18	Point Pleasant	Joyce	" "
1890	October 2	Weston	Foss	" "
1891	Sept. 30	Wheeling	Warren	" "
1892	" 21	Huntington	Bowman	" "
1893	" 20	Grafton	Fitzgerald	T. E. Galway.
1894	" 12	Charleston	Foster	J. Engle.
1895	" 18	Buckhannon	Merrill	" "
1896	" 16	Moundsville	Hurst	" "

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Done at Moundsville, W. Va., Sept. 20, 1896.

JOHN F. HURST.

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Missionary Cause—A. B. Rohrbough, E. L. Meadows, B. B. Evans, A. J. L. Curtis, C. E. Shaw, J. M. Grose, C. E. Feather, J. F. Arnold, F. T. D. Bickley.

Conference Relations—M. Talbott, T. W. Wilson, C. R. Shackelford, A. S. Arnett, J. B. Feather, J. M. Grose, H. E. Friend, J. M. Warden, A. B. Riker.

Episcopal Fund—The Presiding Elders.

JOURNAL.

FIRST DAY.

MOUNDSVILLE, W. VA., September 16, 1896.

Opening.—The West Virginia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church met for its Fiftieth Session in the Simpson Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church, Moundsville, W. Va., at 8:30 A. M. Wednesday, Sept. 16, 1896.

Devotional.—The half-hour devotional services were conducted by Dr. Lyda. A goodly number were present and a time of spiritual refreshing was enjoyed.

At 9 o'clock Bishop Hurst announced hymn 798, after the singing of which he read the 19th Psalm.

Sacrament.—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by the Bishop, the Presiding Elders, at his invitation, assisting. The service was solemn and impressive.

At the close of these services, the Bishop delivered a cordial introductory address.

Roll-Call.—The Secretary of the last Conference called the roll and 151 members and probationers responded to their names.

Election of Secretary and Assistants.—On motion of L. H. Jordan, J. Engle was re-elected Secretary by acclamation, with the privilege of nominating his assistants. He named but one at this time, S. K. Arbuthnot, who was duly elected.

Statistical Secretary and Assistants.—S. P. Crummitt was elected Statistical Secretary, and named for his assistants S. J. Miller, J. C. Strader, A. A. Kelley, William Anderson.

MINUTES OF THE WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

Conference Treasurer and Assistants.—L. W. Roberts was elected Conference Treasurer, and named for his assistants William Hunter, A. S. Arnett, E. D. W. King.

Dr. Horner was introduced and spoke pleasantly of his relations and regards for the West Virginia Conference. He also reminded the brethren of their paper and book accounts and told them where they might find him.

On motion, E. A. Barnes was elected Conference Postmaster.

Standing Committees Appointed.—Nominations of members for the several Standing Committees were made by the Presiding Elders. After certain substitutions had been made for brethren excused, the nominations were confirmed. [See list.]

O. T. Hutchinson was appointed to obtain subscribers and collect funds for "Gospel in all Lands."

Drafts Presented.—Bishop Hurst presented two drafts. Chartered Fund, \$32; Conference share of dividend of Book Concern, \$1,512, and on motion both were passed to Conference Board of Stewards.

This being the Fiftieth Session of our Conference, a motion was made and adopted, directing the Historical Society, after consultation with the Committee on Public Worship, to make suitable arrangements for celebrating the Fiftieth Anniversary of the West Virginia Conference at its next session.

Introductions.—President W. H. Crawford, of Allegheny College, and Bishop Thoburn were introduced to the Conference.

Thirteenth Question.—The Thirteenth Question was taken up and the following named Effective Elders passed:

Buckhannon District—John H. Hess, Presiding Elder, P. L. Bent, A. B. Rohrbough, A. Mick, C. B. Meredith, M. Talbott, F. Cottrell, C. E. Leatherby, J. C. Strader, T. W.

Chidester, G. D. Smith, W. J. Harkness, B. W. Hutchinson, C. E. Hughes, W. J. Sharps.

Charleston District—C. B. Graham, Presiding Elder, S. J. Cotton, J. J. White, T. W. Wilson, A. A. Kelley, V. A. Nanna, W. B. Guinn, H. Scott, W. T. McCutcheon, E. D. Hanna, A. Merrells, A. J. Lyda.

W. C. L. Correll transferred to the North Dakota Conference.

Clarksburg District—J. Engle, Presiding Elder, Cyrus Poling, B. B. Evans, C. R. Shackelford, H. C. Sanford, R. B. Ward, E. S. Witheas, L. N. Coffield, Taylor Richmond, E. D. W. King, U. Pribble.

Dr. Crawford, in a very pleasant manner, presented the claims and interest of Allegheny College, of which he is its honored president. At the conclusion of his address the following resolution was read and adopted:

Resolved, That we have heard Dr. Crawford with special delight. We congratulate him upon the success of Allegheny College. We assure him that the West Virginia Conference is in allegiance with that noble institution.

W. S. WINANS, JR.,
S. J. MILLER.

A motion was made and adopted that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at 2:30 p. m. for the purpose of collecting annual reports and statistics, and elect five trustees for the West Virginia Conference Camp-Meeting.

The Bishop appointed A. B. Rohrbough to preside at the afternoon session, and F. G. W. Ford to conduct the devotional exercises.

Time Extended.—Time was extended to listen to a brief address by Bishop Thoburn upon missionary work in India, he promising a longer one in the near future.

Closing Exercises.—Bishop Hurst appointed C. W. Upton to conduct the devotional exercises to-morrow morning.

The Committees were called, announcements made, doxology sung, when the Conference adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Thoburn.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met, pursuant to adjournment, with A. B. Rohrbough in the chair, F. G. W. Ford conducting the devotional exercises.

Some desultory remarks were made in reference to the pastors' one per cent. for the Veterans' Fund, after which the Secretary called the list of charges, and the pastors present handed in their benevolent collections and statistical reports.

On motion of W. E. Lovett, which prevailed, it was ordered that the five trustees of the West Virginia Conference Camp-Meeting, whose term of office expire with this year, be re-elected for a term of three years. The five so elected were A. Moore, M. W. Rider, A. Mick, S. K. Arbuthnot, B. B. Evans.

Dr. Riker offered the following amendments to the Constitution of the Camp-Meeting Association.

Art. —, Sec. 1, was changed by eliminating the words, "Holding family or season tickets," and substituting "Having tickets."

Art. 2, Sec. 5, is to read "Fee for admission to meetings that may be arranged other than the Camp-Meeting shall be determined by the Executive Committee."

Dr. Riker was invited by the Conference to speak about the interests of our Conference Camp-Meeting, which he did in his usual happy manner.

Announcements were made and Conference adjourned. Benediction by Dr. J. L. Clark.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, September 17, 1896.

Devotional Exercises.—A spiritual devotional meeting was conducted by C. W. Upton for half an hour, commencing at 8:30 A. M.

Bishop Hurst took the chair at 9 o'clock and the business session of the Conference began.

G. H. Williams was appointed to conduct the opening devotional services to-morrow.

Journal Approved.—The journal of yesterday's session was read, and, after some alterations, approved.

The Secretary made some statements concerning the publishing of the Conference Minutes, and urged each member of the Conference to take at least one dollar's worth of the Conference minutes of 1896.

Dr. A. J. Lyda moved that a separate column be published in the minutes, so that every member of the Conference might receive due credit for the amounts paid individually to the Conference Claimants Fund.

This motion prevailed.

On motion of G. W. Grimes, which motion was carried, those who refuse to pay one per cent of their cash salary, forfeit all rights of becoming beneficiaries upon the Conference Claimant Fund. It was also ordered, on motion of W. E. Lovett, that the column referred to in Bro. Lyda's motion be so headed as to show the proper credits.

Dr. A. J. Kynett was introduced and addressed the Conference in the interest of the Church Extension Society; his remarks were more spicy than usual owing to his political references, which appeared from time to time in his address.

Secretary Engle read a resolution signed by various members of the Conference relating to the abstinence from the use of tobacco by the younger members of the Conference. The resolution was adopted. [See resolution.]

Bar of Conference.—The bar of the Conference was fixed at the rear of the third window.

Examination of Character Continued.—The call of the Districts was resumed. The name of J. W. Bedford, P. E. Huntington District was called; his character passed and he reported the condition of the work in his District. The character of the following effective elders were passed and as their names were called they made their reports: A. S. Arnett, D. S. Hammond, E. A. Davis, F. N. Lynch, W. R. Hennon, A. J. L. Curtis, J. M. Kinder, L. E. Leslie.

The name of D. L. Ash, P. E. Morgantown District, was called, his character passed and he read his report. The names of the following effective elders were called, their characters passed, and they reported their collections: J. B. Feather, John Beddow, C. E. Shaw, F. M. Cain, S. P. Crummitt, M. Knotts, F. G. W. Ford, D. A. Friend, A. Cameron, S. E. Jones, H. B. Bowden, W. C. Rogers, G. W. Bent.

The name of the P. E. of New River District, J. H. Jordan, was called, his character passed and he submitted his report. The names of the following effective elders were called, their characters passed, and they reported their collections: J. M. Grose, G. E. Ward (not present), J. S. Jenkins, G. W. Lewis (no report), F. W. Queen, B. D. Mahone.

N. L. Bumgardner's name, P. E. of Oakland District, was called, his character passed, and he reported the condition of the work under his charge. The characters of the following effective elders were passed and they made their report: C. W. Cox, J. H. Enslow (not present), C. W. Upton, J. M. Sharp, E. R. Skidmore, T. R. Faulkner, G. H. Williams, S. K. Arbuthnot, A. D. Perry, G. E. Shaw.

Parkersburg District was reached and the name of Joseph Lee, P. E., was called; his character passed, and he made his report.

The names of the Effective Elders in this District were

called, their characters passed and their reports received: A. D. Adams, F. M. Malcolm, C. Warman, J. M. Warden, M. Taylor, W. S. Winans, Jr., (not present), G. W. Grimes, (not in charge), W. G. Smith, T. P. Dunbar, A. W. Ownby, J. F. Arnold, G. Bleakly, D. W. Ruble, William Hunter, T. H. Bunting, W. E. Lovett, P. C. Mays, Thomas Cotton, (not in charge), J. A. Fullerton, (not in charge).

The name of A. Moore, Presiding Elder of Wheeling District, was called, his character passed, he gave an account of the work accomplished in his District during the past Conference year.

The names of the Effective Elders of this District were called, their characters passed and they reported their collections: J. S. Robinson, G. W. Kepler, M. W. Rider, (not present), F. H. J. King, C. E. Clark, A. E. Barnes, William Anderson, Jacob Hiatt, (not present), C. H. Lakin, D. F. Carder, S. King, D. A. Denton, A. B. Riker, N. B. Johnson, F. D. T. Bickley, L. W. Roberts, C. J. Trippett.

At the close of the roll-call of Effective Elders, the Bishop made some helpful suggestions, showing some of the best methods of presenting and taking the various benevolent collections.

Twenty-Third Question.—"Who are the superannuated preachers?" was taken up. The names of the following were called, their characters passed and they were continued on the superannuated list: A. A. Nichols, Gideon Martin, R. S. Welch, Benjamin Ison, John Birkett, J. T. Carroll, Benjamin Hagar, J. J. Dolliver, J. L. Clark, Moore McNeel, John Conwell, B. F. Rogers, Asby Stevens, A. T. Morriston, Vanlindon Sanford, William Wriston, George W. Matheney,* J. T. Davis, W. H. Shaw, Joseph A. Hammond, Benjamin Darlington, W. D. Carrico.

E. A. McGinnis and B. S. Benedum were reported as having died during the year.

It was moved that the case of E. C. Woodruff be recommended to the Board of Stewards for favorable consideration at

The Twenty-Second Question.—"Who are the supernumerary preachers?" was next reached. The names of the following brethren were called, their characters passed and they were continued in their present relation: R. L. Woodyard, Gilbert Rogers, J. C. Morris, N. H. Prince, E. C. Woodruff, C. S. Allemong, Levi Cross, S. D. Tamblin, W. W. Kelley, S. T. Westfall.

It was ordered that the name of R. H. Hughes be marked withdrawn from the Conference and from the membership of the church.

The Secretary read an invitation from the Board of Directors of the Moundsville Camp-Meeting Association, tendering the use of their grounds and tabernacle to the Conference for any meetings they might choose to hold in that place. The invitation, on motion by L. H. Jordan, was referred to the Committee on Public Worship.

A resolution regarding the payment by the pastors for the publication of the Conference minutes, was adopted. [See resolution.]

Introduction.—Rev. Dr. W. A. Williams, pastor of the Presbyterian church, Moundsville, W. Va., was introduced to the Conference.

Alexander Justice was appointed Journal Secretary.

The list of Committees was called, and announcements made. The Doxology sung and the benediction pronounced by Dr. Williams.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, September 18th, 1896.

G. H. Williams conducted a helpful and spiritual conference prayer meeting for half an hour; the spirit of those early meetings is most blessed and many of the brethren and visitors availed themselves of these privileges.

At 9 o'clock, the Bishop took his place, and made some interesting remarks upon how he came to learn the old hymn "Children of the Heavenly King."

The Secretary read the minutes of yesterday's session and after some alterations they were approved.

The name of W. S. Nicholson, an effective elder, whose name had been omitted in the calling of the list yesterday, was called, his character passed and he reported his collections.

Delinquents.—The Conference Treasurer called the list of charges which had failed to present their reports.

Eighth Question.—The class of the third year was called; the Committee on Examination reported the different grades attained by each member of the class in the different studies; the Presiding Elders reported in the case of each and moved their advancement to the class of the fourth year, of the following named brethren: L. D. Ashby, J. O. Bolton, S. M. Day, O. U. Marple, J. B. Workman, C. E. Feather, W. W. Workman. W. W. Workman is to bring up Church History and Hermeneutics. H. M. Strader was continued in the class of the third year, but received credit for successfully passing the examination in *Essay, Sermon and Exegesis*. W. T. Helms was continued in the class of the third year. O. C. Philips successfully passed his examination in Psychology with the class of this year, as did also H. E. Friend and C. E. Feather. C. E. Feather also passed in Church History. L. S. Carter passed in Hermeneutics and J. A. Marteney in Psychology.

Tenth Question.—The class of the fourth year was called.

The Committee reported, in each case, the grades attained in the prescribed studies, the Presiding Elders reported in the case of each member of the class, and the following were elected to Elders' Orders: J. W. Carroll, U. S. G. Carroll, H. K. Riffe, E. E. King, W. B. King, T. G. Meredith, F. M. Marple, S. J. Miller, Jacob H. Funk, O. C. Phillips, J. W. Claypool, G. W. Alley, E. C. Conaway. L. S. Carder was continued in the class of the fourth year. He having passed his examination in Systematic Theology, his grade in that branch was placed to his credit. H. E. Friend successfully completed the Conference course of study, but was not elected to Elders' Orders, he having been previously ordained. J. M. Kinder was continued in the class of the fourth year. It was moved and carried that in the case of John Marteney he remain in the class of the fourth year, and that he be required to pass examinations in sufficient studies to advance his average grade to 75%.

Introductions.—Rev. Mr. Spurr, the Protestant Episcopal Rector, of Moundsville, W. Va., and Rev. Dr. Wm. H. W. Rees, Recording Secretary of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society, were introduced to the Conference.

Seventh Question.—The class for admission into full connection was called; the committee on examination reported the grades of the different members of the class; their respective Presiding Elders represented them and made the usual motion, and the following brethren were admitted into full connection with the Conference and elected to Deacon's Orders: J. W. Engle, A. D. Garrett, L. S. Grose, E. P. Idleman, G. E. Morris, Alexander Justice, W. T. W. Sleeth, J. L. B. Jones. The Bishop called the class to the altar and propounded the usual Disciplinary questions. His address was a lucid explanation of our attitude as a church toward these questions.

W. G. Loyd was continued in the class of the second year and left without appointment to attend one of our schools.

E. P. Idleman is to bring up Logic next year.

C. H. Maloney was continued in the class of the second year.

P. D. Fisher was continued in the class, second year, but credited with passing grades in the following studies: Harmon, Sacraments, Exegesis, Syllabi and Rhetoric.

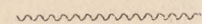
Theophilus McCoy was continued in the class of the second year and credited with passing grades in Harmon, Exegesis, Syllabi, Essay, Sermon, Outline and Rhetoric.

B. B. Brooks is to bring up Logic and History next year. He was admitted into full connection, but not elected to Deacon's Orders, having been previously ordained. Dr. W. H. W. Rees made a brief, but stirring address in the interest of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society, and promised a longer speech in the evening.

B. B. Evans was appointed to conduct the devotional exercises to-morrow morning.

On motion it was made the order of the day for Saturday morning at 9:30 o'clock to consider and vote upon the constitutional questions coming down from the General Conference.

Announcements were made, the Doxology was sung and the benediction pronounced by Dr. W. H. W. Rees.



FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, September 19th, 1896.

The Conference prayer meeting, which was an unusually good one, was conducted by B. B. Evans.

At 9 o'clock the Bishop called for the reading of yesterday's journal, which was approved.

E. C. Conaway's name, which was inadvertently omitted from the class of the fourth year, was placed in its proper position with the other members of the class. As was the name of J. L. B. Jones in the class of the second year.

It was moved and carried that the election of members of the Conference to the Board of Control of the West Vir.

ginia Conference Epworth League be taken up. S. J. Miller, G. C. Shaw, J. W. Claypool and B. B. Evans were elected members of this board.

The Bishop decided that all candidates for examination next year should be examined in the new course of study as given in the Discipline (1896).

W. W. Workman, having passed in the books that he was reported to have failed in, was so credited.

Two resolutions from the West Virginia Conference Epworth League were adopted. [See resolutions].

The notation in the case of R. H. Hughes was directed to be changed so that it should read, "withdrawn under complaints."

Introductions.—Rev. Dr. Marsh, President of Mt. Union College, was introduced and addressed the Conference in relation to the institution under his care.

Order of the Day.—The time having arrived, the order of the day, which was voting upon the constitutional questions, was taken up.

Proposition I.—"On eligibility" received the following vote: Ayes, 86; noes, 52.

Proposition II.—"Equal representation" received ayes, 25; noes, 115.

A recommendation from the Board of Stewards that 60% of all the funds received for Conference Claimants be applied for the benefit of worn-out preachers, their widows and orphans, and that 40% be applied to the annuity fund. [See resolution].

Dr. A. B. Riker read a report from the Permanent Fund Committee. It was ordered that Dr. Masden be requested to pay twenty-five (25) dollars to the permanent fund, this being the amount which he had subscribed to this fund when a member of this Conference.

A check for two hundred and eighty (280) dollars from the Treasurer of the permanent fund, by vote of the Conference, was transferred to the Board of Conference Stewards.

The Fifth question.—"Who are continued on trial?" was taken up. The names of the following brethren were called, the Committee on Education reported their grades in the studies and their Presiding Elders represented them and made the usual motion: G. U. Balsley, William Falten, Eugene Weaver, P. H. Hawk, W. A. Haggerty, H. C. Howard, B. F. Hill, Elias E. Bedford, Ossie D. King, Jesse H. Koch. G. U. Balsley is to bring up the following studies: Harmon, General History and Theory of Preaching. B. L. Merser was continued in the class of the first year, but is credited with Sermon, Essay and Syllabi. R. G. Backus is continued in the class of the first year and is to bring up General History. W. E. Craig was continued in the class of the first year, as was P. Z. Musgrave and A. L. Ireland. U. S. G. Carroll was credited with Sermon and Essay in class of the fourth year.

The Thirtieth Question Was Taken Up.—"Where shall the next Conference be held?" The question, on motion of C. E. Clark, was referred to the Presiding Elders, with power to act.

It was moved and seconded that the appointment of Conference Evangelists be postponed until the next business meeting of the Conference, which motion prevailed.

N. B. Johnson moved, which motion prevailed, that a committee be appointed to determine the number and the qualifications of Conference evangelists and report at the next session. The names of the committee are: A. Mick, E. D. Hanna, C. R. Shackelford, F. N. Lynch, A. Cameron, J. W. Claypool, G. H. Williams, William Hunter, C. E. Clark.

It was moved when Conference adjourned, that it be until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Dr. Horner made an announcement concerning the settlement of Book Concern accounts.

Introductions.—Rev. Dr. Crooks, President Ohio University, Athens, Ohio, was introduced to the Conference.

Rev. E. A. Schell, D. D., General Secretary of the Epworth League, was also introduced, and made a brief, pleasant and forcible address to the Conference concerning the growth of the Epworth League. He urged Pastors and local Epworth League Chapters generally, to adopt the Epworth League course.

The committee on Conference Evangelists were excused from the Conference by general consent.

The Third question.—"Who have been received on trial?" was taken up. The names of the following brethren were called. The committee on General Qualification reported favorably. The committee on Examination gave their grades, their respective Presiding Elders represented them and made the usual motion and they were admitted into the Conference on trial: Forbes Britton Davis, Daniel Westfall. The committee on General Qualifications recommended L. D. Bryan for re-admission into the Conference. He was represented by his Presiding Elder and others, and upon the vote of the Conference, was re-admitted. Announcements were made, the Doxology sung, and benediction pronounced by Bishop Hurst.

Conference adjourned by expiration of Time.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 o'clock Bishop Hurst conducted a brief devotional service.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved. Dr. Gideon Martin on motion of A. J. Lyda was excused from further attendance upon the conference because of sickness in his family.

The committee on Conference Evangelists brought in a report recommending the appointment of two persons to

the office of Conference Evangelists. G. W. Lewis and T. H. Bunting were nominated and elected to this position.

It was moved that the report of the committee, and the election of these persons be reconsidered, which motion prevailed.

After considerable discussion the report was recommit-
ted to the committee.

The Fifth Question was Resumed.—The names of the following brethren were called, the committee on General Qualifications reported favorably, the committee on Examination reported their grades, their Presiding Elders represented them to the Conference and they were admitted on trial, in addition to those noted as admitted in the morning: George Edwin Fuller, Charles Wesley Stephen, John James Reynolds and John Frum McClure.

Recognition of Orders.—The orders of A. J. Flower as a Local Elder, also the order of James Fish as a Local Deacon were recognized by the Conference.

The Eleventh question.—"What others have been elected deacons?" was taken up. The names of the different districts were called and the recommendations of the several candidates were read by the Secretary and the different Presiding Elders represented and made the motion as usual in the cases of the following: John Wesley Engle and John M. Sampson, and they were elected to Local Deacons' Orders.

The name of H. V. Kingsley was presented as a candidate for Local Elders' Orders; his recommendation was read by the Secretary, the Committee on Examinations reported his grades in the studies, his Presiding Elder represented him and he was elected to Local Elders' Orders.

On motion of A. Moore, the Bishop was requested to appoint D. A. Denton editor of the *M. E. Times*.

The Committee on Conference Evangelists requested the Conference to allow them additional time in which to

formulate their report, and the time was extended until Monday morning.

Reports.—The Committee on Periodical and Book Accounts submitted its report, which was adopted. [See report].

A resolution relating to future admissions on trial was adopted by the Conference. [See resolution].

Change of Relations.—The relation of D. Upton was changed from effective to supernumerary. The Relation of W. J. Sharps was changed from effective to superannuated.

Reports.—The Committee on Church Extension and Missions read their reports, which were adopted.

It was ordered that the Conference convene at 8:30 o'clock, instead of 9 o'clock, on Monday next.

L. N. Coffield was appointed to lead devotional exercises.

Announcements were made, doxology sung and benediction pronounced by Bishop Hurst.

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, September 21st, 1896.

At 8 o'clock L. N. Coffield opened the morning devotional exercises which, as usual, were of a deeply spiritual nature.

Owing to the early hour, not quite so many were in attendance as at former services.

According to the previous appointment of the Bishop, Dr. A. B. Riker took the chair at 8:30 A. M., and the minutes of Saturday's afternoon session were read and approved.

The committee on Conference Evangelists submitted their report which recommended that action be deferred in

electing Conference Evangelists until some future time. [See report.]

The following committees submitted their respective reports which were adopted: Sunday School Union and Tracts, Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society, Parsonages and Furniture, Bible Course, Observance of the Sabbath. [See reports.]

While the report of the committee on Bible Course was pending, Rev. Thomas Cotton, the West Virginia Agent of the American Bible Society, was introduced, and addressed the Conference in the interest of that Society.

The Statistical Secretary read his report to the Conference, as did also the Conference Treasurer.

The Temperance Committee next submitted its report to the Conference. An animated discussion upon this report followed. It was finally taken up and considered by sections. The first section was read and adopted. The second section was read, discussed and adopted in part. For a part of this section there was substituted section 5, part 1, of paragraph 42, appendix.

Discipline 1896, being a part of the General Conference utterance on Temperance and Prohibition of the Liquor Traffic. The remaining part of this section was laid upon the table. Sections 3 and 4 were adopted as read. The whole report, as amended, was then adopted.

The Committee on Education reported to the Conference through its Chairman. A favorable reference to Evanston Theological Seminary was ordered to be incorporated into the report.

President B. W. Hutchinson, of the Conference Seminary, was introduced and spoke in his usual animated and lucid manner concerning the good work being done in our own Institution of learning.

The Committees on Epworth League and Conference Journals made their reports.

A special commission of five to meet a similar commission of the Kentucky Conference to take into consideration possible changes in Conference boundaries, was appointed by the Conference. The commissioners are: F. N. Lynch, A. B. Riker, J. W. Bedford, D. S. Hammond, L. H. Jordan.

The Committee on Conference Qualifications recommended that the relation of C. S. Allemong be changed from Supernumary to the effective list, and the Conference so ordered.

Bishop Hurst by request of several members of the Conference, addressed the Conference in regard to The American University at Washington D. C. At the conclusion a subscription was taken for the University, and the amount in cash and pledges was \$1515.00. A resolution commending the American University to the favorable consideration of the ministry, members and friends of our Church was read by Dr. Riker and upon motion was made part of the report of Committee on Education. The motion prevailed.

Dr. A. B. Riker was appointed West Virginia Conference Treasurer for the American University.

The Board of Stewards submitted their annual report, which was adopted. [See report.] The Missionary apportionment for each charge was made the basis for the apportionment of the amount to be raised for conference claimants.

Rev. Cornstock of Charleston, Supt. of West Virginia Children's Home, was introduced and addressed the Conference on the work of that institution.

The Board of Examiners as provided for in section 1, paragraph 57 Appendix Discipline 1896 were read by the Secretary and were appointed. [See list.]

A motion to endorse Bro. Cornstock's work and commend him favorably to all Christian people was made and carried.

It was ordered that when Conference adjourned it be to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Bishop Hurst appointed Dr. A. B. Riker to preside.

Doxology was sung and benediction by Bishop Hurst.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

A. B. Riker in Chair.—The Conference convened at 2 P. M. with Dr. Riker in the chair by appointment of Bishop Hurst. The devotional services were conducted by Dr. Riker. Hymn "Let me love thee more and more" was sung after C. H. Lakin led the Conference in a fervent and impressive prayer. At the conclusion of these exercises the business of the Conference was taken up.

Journal Approved.—The journal of this morning session were read, corrected and approved.

On motion of A. Moore, a board of control for the Methodist Episcopal Times was appointed. The following were elected: A. B. Riker, F. N. Lynch, D. L. Ash, A. Kendall, Dr. Bayless, Harvy Harmer.

The Secretary of the Committee on Memoirs was authorized to prepare a suitable Memoir of the late wife of B. B. Brooks; and publish the same in its appropriate place in the minutes.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Committee on Temperance, C. H. Lakin and W. G. Smith were elected delegates to represent the West Virginia Conference in the next meeting of the Anti-Saloon League to be held in Washington D. C.

The Conference requested the Bishop to leave W. T. Helms and F. M. Marple without appointments, to attend one of our schools.

J. M. Grose was appointed by the Bishop, Business Manager of the West Virginia Conference Camp-Meeting Association.

Relation Changed.—G. W. Lewis has his relation changed from effective to Supernumerary.

The following named brethren were elected as District Missionary Secretaries :

Buckhannon District,	-	-	Daniel Westfall.
Charleston	"	-	C. A. Maloney.
Clarksburg	"	-	Cyrus Poling.
Huntington	"	-	S. J. Miller.
Morgantowh	"	-	S. P. Crummitt.
New River	"	-	L. S. Grose.
Oakland	"	-	A. S. Arnett.
Parkersburg	"	-	G. Bleakley.
Wheeling	"	-	C. E. Clark.

A collection for the Secretary was taken, amounting to \$12.66.

C. B. Graham read the report of the Presiding Elders on Missionary appropriations for Districts and Charges.

Presentation.—Dr. A. J. Lyda, in a neat, pleasant speech, presented to C. B. Graham, the retiring Presiding Elder of the Charleston District, an order for a set of Chambers' Encyclopedia. Upon receiving this mark of affection, Brother Graham responded with words of thanks.

The Secretary was permitted to publish the Journal of this afternoon session without being read or approved by the Conference.

Bishop Hurst led the Conference in a closing prayer, after which he made a brief address and read the appointments. [See appointments]

The doxology was sung, the benediction was pronounced by Bishop Hurst, and Conference adjourned without day.

Very respectfully,

J. ENGLE,
Secretary.

Program of Meetings and Anniversaries.

TUESDAY EVENING AT 7:30.

Conference Sermon.....By S. P. Crummitt.

WEDNESDAY AT 7:30 P. M.

Church Extension Society.....Dr. Kynett.

THURSDAY AT 3 P. M.

Missionary Sermon.....By Geo. W. Kepler.

EVENING AT 7:30 P. M.

Missionary Anniversary.....Address by Bishop Thoburn.

FRIDAY EVENING.

Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society.....

Address by Dr. Rees.

SATURDAY AT 7:30 P. M.

Epworth League.....Addresses by Doctors Crook and Schell.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

9:00 A. M., Love Feast.....Led by C. H. Lakin.

10:30 " Sermon.....By Bishop Hurst.

2:30 P. M., Memorial Services.....Dr. Lyda, Presiding.

3:00 " Ordination of Deacons and Elders.

7:30 " Sermon.....By Dr. Schell.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

1.—Who have been received by Transfer, and from what Conferences? Charles E. Shaw, from New York Conference.

2.—Who have been Readmitted? Lorenzo D. Bryan, by certificate of location.

3.—Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches? None.

4.—Who have been received on trial?

I. In Studies of First Year—Forbes Britton Davis, George Edwin Fuller, John Frum McClure, John James Reynolds, Charles Wesley Stephen, Daniel Westfall.

II. In Studies of Third Year—None.

5.—Who have been continued on trial?

I. In Studies of First Year—Bertram L. Mercer, Rufus G. Backus, William E. Craig, Pinkney Z. Musgrave, Alfred L. Ireland.

II. In Studies of Second Year—Gratten U. Balsley, William Fallen, Eugene Weaver, Perry H. Hawk, William A. Haggerty, Henry C. Howard, Benjamin F. Hill, Elias E. Bedford, Ossie D. King, Jessie H. Koch, Theophilus McCoy, Perry D. Fisher.

III. In Studies of Third Year—James W. Engle, A. D. Garrett, Edward P. Idleman, George E. Morris, L. S. Grose, Alexander Justice, William T. Helms, Waitman T. W. Sleeth, Henry M. Strader.

IV. In Studies of Fourth Year—Luther D. Ashby, John O. Bolton, Samuel M. Day, Omar U. Marple, Jeffer-

son B. Workman, William Workman, Charles E. Feather, Lewis S. Carter, James M. Kinder, John Marteney.

6.—Who have been discontinued? None.

7.—Who have been admitted into full membership?

I. Elected and Ordained Deacons this year—James W. Engle, Addison D. Garrett, Logan S. Grose, Edward P. Idleman, George E. Morris, Waitman T. W. Sleeth, John L. B. Jones, Alexander Justice.

II. Elected and Ordained Deacons previously—B. B. Brooks.

8.—What members are in studies of third year?

I. Admitted into Full Membership this year—James W. Engle, Addison D. Garrett, Logan S. Grose, Edward P. Idleman, George E. Morris, Alexander Justice, Waitman T. W. Sleeth, John L. B. Jones, B. B. Brooks.

II. Admitted into Full Membership previously—None.

9.—What members are in studies of fourth year? L. D. Ashby, John O. Bolton, S. M. Day, O. U. Marple, J. B. Workman, C. E. Feather, W. W. Workman, James M. Kinder, John Marteney, L. S. Carter.

10.—What members have completed the Conference course of study?

I. Elected and Ordained Elders this year—J. W. Carroll, U. S. G. Carroll, H. K. Riffe, E. E. King, W. B. King, F. M. Marple, T. G. Meredith, S. J. Miller, J. H. Funk, O. C. Phillips, G. W. Alley, E. C. Conaway.

II. Elected and Ordained Elders previously—H. E. Friend.

11.—What others have been elected and ordained Deacons?

I. As Local Preachers—John W. Engle, John M. Sampson.

II. Under Missionary Rule—None.

12.—What others have been elected and ordained Elders?

I. As Local Deacons—Herbert B. Kingsley.

II. Under Missionary Rule—None.

13.—Was the character of each preacher examined? This was strictly done in open Conference as the name of each preacher was called.

14.—Who have been transferred, and to what Conference? W. C. L. Correll, North Dakota Conference.

15.—Who have died? B. S. Benedum, E. A. McGinnis.

16.—Who have been located at their own request? None.

17.—Who have been located? None.

18.—Who have withdrawn? None.

19.—Who have been permitted to withdraw under charges or complaints? R. H. Hughes.

20.—Who have been expelled? None.

21.—What other personal notation should be made? None.

22.—Who are the supernumerary preachers? R. L. Woodyard, Gilbert Rogers, J. C. Morris, N. H. Prince, C. E. Woodruff, Levi Cross, S. I. Tamblyn, W. W. Kelley, S. T. Westfall, D. Upton.

23.—Who are the superannuated preachers? A. A. Nichols, Gideon Martin, Benjamin Ison, R. S. Welch, John Birkett, J. D. Carroll, Benjamin Hagar, J. J. Doliver, J. L. Clark, Moore McNeel, John Conwell, B. F. Rogers, Asby

Stevens, A. T. Morriston, Vanlindon Sanford, William Wriston, George W. Matheney, J. T. Davis, W. H. Shaw, J. A. Hammond, Benjamin Darlington, W. D. Carrico, W. J. Sharps.

24.—Who are the triers of appeals? A. Mick, S. J. Miller, W. B. King, F. N. Lynch, S. E. Jones, C. E. Clark, J. S. Jenkins, H. E. Friend, C. Warman.

25.—What is the statistical report for this year? See statistical report.

26.—What is the aggregate of the benevolent collections as reported by the Conference Treasurer? Sixteen thousand dollars, (\$16,000.00.)

27.—What are the claims on the Conference fund? Four thousand, two hundred dollars, (\$4,200.00.)

28.—What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied? See board of Stewards' report.

29.—Where are preachers stationed? See appointments.

30.—Where shall the next Conference be held? Referred to the Presiding Elders.

Appointments of the Preachers.

Buckhannon District.

J. R. HESS, Presiding Elder, 4.

Post Office, Buckhannon, W. Va.

Name of Charge.	Preacher.	No.	Post Office.	County.	State.
Addison	George E. Ward	1	Addison	Webster	W. Va.
Barbour	John W. Engle (sup)	1	Philippi	Barbour	"
Belington	Perry C. Mays	1	Belington	"	"
Beverly	James W. Engle	2	Beverly	Randolph	"
Buckhannon	Asbury Mick	2	Buckhannon	Upshur	"
" Second Church	L. E. Ressegar (sup)	1	"	"	"
" Circuit	P. L. Bent	1	"	"	"
Cleveland	Perry H. Hawk	2	Cleveland	Webster	"
Cowan	William Ballan	2	Cowan	"	"
Cutlipville	J. G. Crafts (supply)	2	Cutlips	Braxton	"
Duffy	John O. Bolton	2	Duffy	Lewis	"
East Buckhannon	J. Halpenny (sup)	1	Buckhannon	Upshur	"
Elkins	Grafton U. Balsley	1	Elkins	Randolph	"
Flatwoods	Fred Cottrell	3	Flatwoods	Braxton	"
Freemansburg	Martin Talbott	5	Freemansburg	Lewis	"
Frenchton	C. E. Leatherby	2	Rock Cave	Upshur	"
Glenville	J. C. Strader	2	Glenville	Gilmer	"
Holly Grove	O. U. Marple	2	Holly Grove	Upshur	"
Montrose	H. M. Strader	2	Montrose	Randolph	"
Mingo	F. J. Lewis (supply)	2	Mingo	"	"
Newlon	Daniel Westfall	2	Selbyville	Upshur	"
Philippi	C. B. Meredith	1	Philippi	Barbour	"
South Buckhannon	F. W. Chidester	2	Buckhannon	Braxton	"
Sutton	G. D. Smith	4	Sutton	Upshur	"
Ten Mile	A. L. Ireland	2	Sellers	Gilmer	"
Troy	A. A. Martenez	3	Troy	"	"
Weston	W. J. Harkness	2	Weston	Lewis	"
" Circuit	W. T. W. Sleeth	2	"	"	"

B. W. Hutchinson, President Conference Seminary, member of Buckhannon Quarterly Conference.

W. A. Haggerty, Instructor in Conference Seminary and member of Buckhannon Quarterly Conference.

Charleston District.

D. S. HAMMOND, Presiding Elder, 1.

Post Office, Charleston, W. Va.

Name of Charge.	Preacher.	No.	Post Office.	County.	State.
Arnoldsburg	James Kinder	1	Rilla	Calhoun	W. Va.
Buffalo	A. W. Burton (sup)	1	Buffalo	Putnam	"
Charleston	A. B. Riker	1	Charleston	Kanawha	"
" Circuit	G. W. Alley	1	Patriek	"	"
Clendennen	W. H. Hammond	1	Clendennen	"	"
Clifton and Mason	Arthur Merrels	2	Clifton	Mason	"
Cottageville	E. L. Meddows	1	Cottageville	Jackson	"
Danaville	E. A. Davis	1	Charleston	Kanawha	"
Elmwood	John McKendree, sup	1	Elmwood	"	"
Goldtown	E. E. Leslie	1	Goldtown	"	"
Graham Mines	O. T. Hutchinson, sup	1	Graham Mines	Kanawha	"
Hartford	C. J. Trippett	1	Hartford City	Mason	"
Leon	C. W. Wilson	2	Leon	"	"
Malden	A. J. Lyda	2	Malden	Kanawha	"
Mount Union	P. D. Fisher	1	Cyrus	Roane	"
Noble	W. P. Quinn	2	Lockhart	Jackson	"
Point Pleasant	W. J. H.	1	Pl. Pleasant	Mason	"
Ravenswood	H. Scott	2	Ravenswood	Jackson	"
Raymond	E. S. Withers	1	Raymond city	Putnam	"
Reedy	B. T. Rhoads, sup	1	Reedy	Roane	"
Ripley	W. T. McCutcheon	1	Jackson C. H.	Jackson	"
Spencer	J. J. White	1	Spencer	Roane	"
Walton	H. K. Riffe	1	Walton	"	"
West Charleston	W. M. Rider	1	Charleston	Kanawha	"

C. H. Maloney, Sec'y Y. M. C. A., Charleston, member of Charleston Quarterly Conference.

Huntington District.

J. W. BEDFORD, Presiding Elder, 2.

Post Office, Milton, W. Va.

Charge.	Preacher.	1	Post Office.	County.	State.
Ashton	(sup.)	1	Ashton	Mason ..	W. Va.
Cassville	(sup.)	1	Ft. Gay	Wayne ..	"
Central City	W. S. Nicholson	1	Central City	Cabell ..	"
Ceredo	F. M. Cain	1	Ceredo	Wayne ..	"
Coalburg	James Fish (supply) ..	1	Coalburg	Kanawha ..	"
Coal River	(sup.)	1	Peytona	Boone ..	"
Copelyville	E B Wilkinson, sup.	1	Copelyville	Wayne ..	"
Dingess	(sup.)	1	Dingess	Mingo ..	"
East Hamlin	(sup.)	1	Jenks	Lincoln ..	"
Egypt	A. M. Grimes (sup.) ..	1	Egypt	Wayne ..	"
Fairfields	S. M. Day	2	Acme	Kanawha ..	"
Guyandotte	J. C. Howard	1	Guyandotte	Cabell ..	"
Hamlin	George E. Fuller	1	Hamlin	Lincoln ..	"
Huntington, 1st Church	J. N. Lynch	4	Huntington	Cabell ..	"
" 7th Avenue	S. J. Miller	1	"	" ..	"
Heart's Creek	W. L. Hoon, supply ..	1	Chapmanville	Logan ..	"
Henderson	A. J. L. Curtis	1	Veranda	Mason ..	"
Hurricane	(sup.)	1	"	" ..	"
Kanawha City	J. S. Pullin (supply) ..	1	"	Kanawha ..	"
Milton	L. D. Bryan	1	Milton	Cabell ..	"
Oilville	G. M. Cochran, sup.	1	Oilville	Logan ..	"
Reed	(sup.)	1	"	" ..	"
St. Albans	J. F. Howell (sup.) ..	1	St. Albans	Kanawha ..	"
Scott	L. B. Hensley (sup.) ..	1	Peays	Putnam ..	"
Sheridan	J. E. Holly (supply) ..	1	Sheridan	Lincoln ..	"
Wayne	J. B. Workman	2	Herbert	Wayne ..	"
Williamson	J. V. Williamson, sup.	1	Williamson	Mingo ..	"
Winfield	J. S. Carter	1	Winfield	Putnam ..	"
Winifred	Am. Kingsley (sup.) ..	1	Winifred	Kanawha ..	"

New River District.

L. H. JORDAN, Presiding Elder, 2.

Post Office, Fayetteville, W. Va.

Charge.	Preacher.	1	Post Office.	County.	State.
Birch River	Daniel Wilson, supply	2	Birch River	Nicholas	W. Va.
Boone	J B Workman, supply	1	Hewett	Boone ..	"
Claremont	John W Carroll	1	Claremont	Fayette ..	"
Clay	William F Barze, sup.	1	Clay C. H.	Clay ..	"
Concord	Macellan Reed, supply	1	Concord Church	Mercer ..	"
Elk River	E C Conway	2	Osborne's Mills	Roane ..	"
Fayette	R G Backus	1	Kincaid	Fayette ..	"
Flat Top	J Lee Hale, supply ..	1	McDowell	McDowell	"
Hewett	Charles W Stephen ..	1	"	" ..	"
Hinton	B F Hill	1	Meadow Creek	Summers ..	"
Kanawha	L S Grose	1	Deep Water	Fayette ..	"
Matville	D T Parish, supply ..	1	Dry Creek	Raleigh ..	"
Mountain Cove	J S Jenkins	2	Hico	Fayette ..	"
Logan	John J Reynolds	1	Man	Logan ..	"
Norwood	A M Lambert, supply ..	1	Norwood	McDowell	"
Ophelia	W W Workman	1	Ophelia	Nicholas ..	"
Oceana	A M Matheny, supply ..	1	Oceana	Wyoming ..	"
Pleasant Retreat	F W Queen	2	Pleasant Retreat	Clay ..	"
Raleigh	J W Claypool	2	Backley	Raleigh ..	"
Summerville	B D Mahone	2	Summerville	Nicholas ..	"
Tate Creek	George B Wilson, sup.	1	Tate Creek	Braxton ..	"

J. M. Grose Agent Conference Camp-Meeting Association.

Morgantown District.**D. L. ASH, Presiding Elder, 6.****Post office, Grafton, W. Va.**

Charge.	Preacher.	AY	Post Office.	County.	State.
Arnettsville	J. B. Feather	5	Arnettsville	Monongalia	W. Va.
Blacksville	G. H. Williams	1	Blacksville	"	"
Grafton	C. E. Shaw	2	Grafton	Taylor	"
Halleck	B. L. Mercer	2	Halleck	Monongalia	"
Jollytown	F. G. W. Ford	1	Jollytown	Green	Penn.
Kingwood	S. P. Crummitt	1	Kingwood	Preston	W. Va.
Knottsville	E. A. Barnes	1	Knottsville	Taylor	"
Littleton	U. S. G. Carroll	1	Hundred	Wetzel	"
Masontown	Marcellus Knotts	1	Masontown	Preston	"
Monongalia	John Beddow	1	Morgantown	Monongalia	"
Morgantown	Albert Cameron	3	"	"	"
" Circuit	S. E. Jones	4	"	"	"
Palatine	H. B. Bowden	2	Palatine	Marion	"
" Circuit	Alexander Justice	1	"	"	"
Tunnelton	W. C. Rogers	3	Tunnelton	Preston	"
Wadestown	G. W. Bent	3	Wadestown	Monongalia	"

Clarksburg District.**J. ENGLE, Presiding Elder, 2.****Post Office, Fairmont, W. Va.**

Charge.	Preacher.	AY	Post Office.	County.	State.
Bridgeport	Cyrus Poling	2	Bridgeport	Harrison	W. Va.
Cherry Camp	T. G. Meredith	1	Salem	"	"
Clarksburg	G. W. Grimes	1	Clarksburg	"	"
Enterprise	J. F. McClure	2	Bingamon	Marion	"
Fairmont	N. B. Johnson	1	Fairmont	"	"
Farmington	D. A. Friend	1	Farmington	"	"
Jarvisville	Marion Taylor	1	Jarvisville	Harrison	"
Logansport	W. R. Heennon	1	Mannington	Marion	"
Lumberport	H. C. Sanford	2	Lumberport	Harrison	"
Mannington	R. B. Ward	2	Mannington	Marion	"
Marion	L. N. Coffield	3	Barrackville	"	"
Mt. Clair	Taylor Richmond	2	Mt. Clair	Harrison	"
Pine Grove	Theophilus McCoy	1	Pine Grove	Wetzel	"
Pruntytown	E. D. W. King	2	Pruntytown	Taylor	"
Smithton	A. D. Garrett	1	Smithton	Doddridge	"
West Milton	W. B. King	1	West Milford	Harrison	"
Wilsonburg	Forbes B. Davis	2	Wilsonburg	"	"

F. M. Marple left, without appointment, to attend one of our schools.

Oakland District.**M. L. BAUMGARDENER, P. E., 6.****Post Office, Mt. Lake Park, Md.**

Charge.	Preacher.	AY	Post Office.	County.	State.
Albrightsville	C. W. Cox	9	Albrightsville	Preston	W. Va.
Aurora	John L. B. Jones	2	Aurora	"	"
Bayard	J. H. Enlow	2	Bayard	Grant	"
Blaine	J. H. Koch	2	Blaine	Mineral	"
Brandonville	D. B. Orr	2	Brandonville	Preston	"
Bruceton Mills	C. A. Feather	3	Bruceton Mills	"	"
Cranesville	E. C. Bedford	3	Cranesville	"	"
Davis	A. S. Arnett	1	Davis	Tucker	"
Deer Park	E. P. Idleman	1	Deer Park	Garrett	Md.
Elk Lick	Eugene Weaver	1	Elk Lick	Somerset	Penn.
Etam	H. W. Thornton, supply	1	Etam	Preston	W. Va.
Evansville	J. N. Sharp	2	Evansville	"	"
Friendsville	E. R. Skidmore	2	Friendsville	Garrett	Md.
Grantsville	T. R. Faulkner	2	Grantsville	"	"
Newburg	C. W. Upton	1	Newburg	Preston	W. Va.
Oakland	S. K. Arbuthnot	3	Oakland	Garrett	Md.
Parsons	H. E. Friend	2	Parsons	Tucker	W. Va.
Red Creek	"	"	Red Creek	"	"
Rowlesburg	A. D. Perry, supply	2	Rowlesburg	Preston	"
Sinclair	B. B. Brooks	2	Sinclair	"	"
Terra Alta	George C. Shaw	2	Terra Alta	"	"

Parkersburg District.**JOSEPH LEE, Presiding Elder, 5.****Post Office, Parkersburg, W. Va.**

Charge.	Preacher.	Ch.	Post Office.	County.	State.
Belleville	A D Adams	2	Belleville	Wood	W. Va.
Big Bend	supply	1	Big Bend	Calhoun	"
Cairo	J H Funk	1	Cairo	Ritchie	"
Centerville	P Z Musgrave	2	Alma	Tyler	"
Elizabeth	O D King	1	Elizabeth	Wirt	"
Ellenboro	William Hunter	1	Ellenboro	Ritchie	"
Harrisville	C Warman	4	Harrisville	"	"
Middlebourne	J M Warden	2	Middlebourne	Tyler	"
Newark	L D Ashby	3	Newark	Wirt	"
North Parkersburg	U Pribble	1	Buffington	Wood	"
Parkersburg	W S Winans, Jr	3	Parkersburg	"	"
" Elberon	George E Morris	2	"	"	"
" Circuit	W G Smith	5	Buffington	"	"
Pennsboro	A B Rchrbough	1	Pennsboro	Ritchie	"
Pleasants	A L Simmons sup	1	Pleasants	Wood	"
Pursley	F P Dunbar	2	Pursley	Tyler	"
St. Mary's	A W Cwn'y	2	St. Mary's	Pleasants	"
Shiloh	J F Arn H	2	Shiloh	Tyler	"
Sistersville	G Blerkle	2	Sistersville	"	"
Smithville	Jacob A Hiatt	1	Smithville	Ritchie	"
South Parkersburg	F M Malcolm	1	Newport	Wood	"
Volcano	T H Bunting	4	Volcano	"	"
West Union	W E Lovett	2	West Union	Doddridge	"
Williamstown	G W Kepler	1	Williamstown	Wood	"

Thomas Cotton, Agent American Bible Society, member Parkersburg Quarterly Conference.

D. A. Denton, Editor Methodist Episcopal Times, member Parkersburg Quarterly Conference.

Wheeling District.**A. MOORE, Presiding Elder, 2.****Post Office, Wheeling, W. Va.**

Charge.	Preachers.	Ch.	Post Office.	County.	State.
Benwood	J S Robinson	2	Benwood	Marshall	W. Va.
Cameron	J A Fullerton	1	Cameron	"	"
Dallas	C R Shackelford	1	Dallas	"	"
Fulton	A A Kelley	1	Fulton	Ohio	"
Marshall	F H J King	4	Sherard	Marshall	"
McMechen	Spencer King	1	McMechen	"	"
Moundsville	S J Cotton	1	Moundsville	"	"
" Circuit	D W Ruble	1	"	"	"
New Martinsville	E D Hanna	1	New Martinsville	Wetzel	"
" Circuit	C S Allemong	1	"	"	"
Pleasant Valley	E E King	1	Moundsville	Marshall	"
Proctor	V A Nanna	1	Proctor	Wetzel	"
Short Creek and Liberty	C H Lakin	1	West Liberty	Ohio	"
Silver Hill	D F Carder	2	Silver Hill	Wetzel	"
Triadelphia	O C Phillips	1	Triadelphia	Ohio	"
WHEELING.					
Chapline Street	Wm. Anderson	1	Wheeling	Ohio	"
Fourth "	J L Sooy	"	"	"	"
North "	F T D Bickley	"	"	"	"
Thompson "	C B Graham	1	Wheeling	Ohio	W. Va.
Wesley "	C E Clark	1	"	"	"
Wesley	L W Roberts	4	"	"	"
Zane Street	B B Evans	1	"	"	"

W. T. Helms, left without appointment to attend one of our schools, member of Cameron Quarterly Conference.

MEMOIRS.

REV. D. A. MCGINIS

Died May 17, 1896 at his home at Mole Hill, W. Va. A few days previous to his death he was suddenly and unexpectedly stricken with paralysis, he became unconscious and died without speaking. For quite a while before his last illness he had been enjoying good health for a man of his years.

He traveled as an itinerant preacher for about seven (7) years, he was compelled to give up his work on account of his health. Last winter he took a very enthusiastic part in the protracted meeting at Mole Hill. He had a very ripe Christian experience and his hope for a home in Heaven was remarkably clear. He leaves a widow who deeply mourns his absence. His children are all grown to manhood.

FATHER D. S. BENEDUM

Died, at Salem, Harrison county, West Virginia, last spring, aged 71 years. He joined the West Virginia Conference in 1866, and served the following charges: Pine Grove, Cherry Camp, and others. For six years his nervous system was shocked by the accidental death of his daughter.

For twenty-four years he has been a Superannuate, living at Salem, Harrison county. The relation between him and the people were of the kindest nature. It is said that in all that time he never gave the slightest offence to any one. His last sickness was long but of painless character. He lived a life without offence and died in peace.

MRS. MARGARET CONNER,

Widow of the late Rev. Calvin Connor, of the West Virginia Conference, was born April 29, 1831, and died June 8, 1894, at her home in Moundsville, W. Va. She was converted while in her fifteenth year, in Fourth street M. E. church, Wheeling, W. Va.,

under the pastorate of the Rev. G. S. Holmes. She was an earnest devoted christian. She was married September 7, 1870, to the Rev. Calvin Conner, who preceded her to the spirit land some ten years. She lived with those whose companionship in this life was so sweet and dear to her.

Mrs. Conner was a consistent follower of Christ, a kind neighbor, and an affectionate and loving sister. Her death was peaceful and happy.

NANCY E. KINDER.

Sister Kinder was born in Boone county, W. Va., March 20, 1864, was converted and joined the church at the age of sixteen years, and was married to Rev. James M. Kinder, September 17, 1885. She ever remained a faithful member of the church until, on the 27th day of September, 1895, Sister Kinder was summoned by the Great King to the City of God. Sister Kinder was a loving wife and an affectionate mother.

She leaves a bereaved husband and four children to mourn their loss; though not as those who have no hope.

MRS. MALISSA BROOKS.

Sister Malissa Brooks was the daughter of Alex. B. and Mariah Meadows, of Normantown, W. Va.. Born March 15, 1857, was converted and joined the M. E. church, when but a girl, under the pastorate of Rev. W. E. Lovette, and was a faithful member until death.

She married William W. Sexton, September 23, 1883. He only lived a few months. She married Rev. B. B. Brooks, April 20, 1893, and died August 10, 1896. By her death Bro. Brooks lost a devoted companion, and an ever ready helpmate.

A. MICK, President.

W. B. KING, Secretary.

Roll of the Honored Dead of the West Virginia Conference.

No.	Name.	Place of Death.	Date of Death.	Conference Relation at Time of Death.	Age.	Years in Ministry
1	George Deemer	Wayne county, W. Va	October 9, 1851	Effective	28	2
2	Abraham Lavaghridge	Granville, "	April 22, 1854	On Trial	32	1
3	Silas Burns	South Wheeling	December 25, 1854	Effective	26	3
4	William Summers	Martin's Ferry, Ohio	March 29, 1855	Superannuated	58	20
5	Eli McLaughlin	Ripley, W Va	April 3, 1855	On Trial	30	2
6	Alpheus Robe	Clinton Furnace, W Va	December 4, 1855	Effective	33	5
7	Jesse Freeland	Kingwood,	June 6, 1856	Superannuated	40	7
8	James A Young	Near Shinnston, "	June 17, 1857	On Trial	24	1
9	Gordon Battelle	Washington, D C	August 7, 1862	Effective	47	17
10	Jacob S Patterson	Knightstown, Indiana	July 10, 1864	Superannuated	45	21
11	Paul Vandervort	Jollytown, Pennsylvania	August 26, 1865	Effective	37	10
12	William R Carroll	Near Kingwood, W Va	July 20, 1867	Superannuated	38	4
13	W D Warman	Ravenswood, "	January 19, 1868	Effective	50	7
14	Philip Green	Near Lumberport, "	January 24, 1870	Superannuated	80	44
15	Allen B Smith	Buffalo, "	May 19, 1870	Effective	45	6
16	John L Irwin	Fairmont, "	April 26, 1871	"	59	40
17	George Monroe	Point Pleasant, "	August 8, 1872	Superannuated	69	25
18	Edgar B Blundon	Burning Springs, "	March 6, 1873	Effective	37	7
19	George W Richmond	Wheeling, "	March 16, 1874	"	41	17
20	Thomas M Hartley	West Liberty, "	May 3, 1875	"	38	11
21	Michael Dowler	Marshall county, "	November 26, 1875	Superannuated	70	6
22	Moses Tichenel	Resamond, Illinois	May 23, 1876	Superannuated	70	38
23	Wilson L Hindman	Moundsville, W Va	March 17, 1878	Effective	50	28
24	I C Blair	Fairmont, "	December 23, 1878	"	63	36
25	Francis M Hughes	Cameron, "	September 14, 1879	"	32	12
26	I C Sidebottom	Barboursville, "	1881	Superannuated	44	7
27	Francis Guthrie	Gallipolis, Ohio	July 7, 1881	Superannuated	84	45
28	A D Jones	Williamstown, W Va	March 21, 1881	"	75	51
29	L D Heatherly	Round Bottom, Wayne co., W Va	December 13, 1882	"	20	5
30	I G Weaver	Upland, Pennsylvania	May 19, 1883	"	48	20
31	G W Parriott	Near Cameron, W Va	November 8, 1883	Effective	41	10
32	W H Young	Middlebourne, "	May, 1884	"	38	14
33	David M Heaston	Buckhannon, "	November 11, 1884	"	38	8
34	Neville C Beckley	Charleston, "	October 16, 1885	"	44	16
35	John S Laughlin	Deer Park, Maryland	March 7, 1886	Superannuated	41	14
36	Samuel Steele	Buckhannon, W Va	May 24, 1886	Effective	62	36
37	Andrew Dixon	Near Mountain Cove, W Va	February, 1886	Superannuated	80	53
38	R W McLaughlin	Greene county, Pennsylvania	January 17, 1887	"	75	40
39	Calvin Conner	Moundsville, W Va	December 28, 1886	"	67	36

Roll of the Honored Dead of the West Virginia Conference, Continued

No.	Name.	Place of Death.	Date of Death.	Conference Relation at Time of Death,	Age.	Years in Ministry
40	John C Kurtz,	Deer Park, Maryland	April 16, 1887	Effective	33	1
41	Thomas P Ryan,	Roane county, West Virginia	October 14, 1887	"	34	14
42	John B West,	Newport, Ohio	May 21, 1889	Superannuated	90	67
43	John W Hess,	Centrevilla, Tyler county, West Va	October 13, 1889	Effective	56	20
44	Daniel W Smith,	Malden, West Va	January 3, 1890	Superannuated	31	3
45	George R Copeland,	Hundred, "	August 20, 1890	Effective	42	13
46	George Crossfield,	Barkley Springs, "	March 5, 1891	Superannuated	63	42
47	James W W Bolton	Palatine, "	February 19, 1891	Effective	57	34
48	Thomas H Trainer,	Benwood, "	April 19, 1891	Superannuated	71	42
49	Samuel R Dawson,	Ellenboro, "	January 28, 1892	Superannuated	68	45
50	G H Orwen,	Aberdeen, Maryland	August 18, 1892	"	57	37
51	John C Rexroad,	Evansville, West Va.	September 23, 1892	Effective	49	20
52	T B Pinchen,	Swan Creek, Ohio	April 29, 1893	Superannuated	..	..
53	John W Reger,	Buckhannon, West Va	July 6, 1893	"	..	..
54	Leon I. Stewart,	Williamstown, "	January 15, 1893	Effective	48	23
55	Samuel Hitchens,	Morgantown, "	May 23, 1893	Superannuated	53	..
56	W R White,	Fairmont, "	November 10, 1893	"	74	50
57	R M Wallace,	Clarksburg,	October 2, 1893	Superannuated	76	32
58	T E Galway,	Grafton, "	October 13, 1893	Effective	43	10
59	John A Williams,	Buckhannon,	January 21, 1894	Superannuated	78	..
60	Richard Northercraft,	Harrisville, "	October 28, 1894	"	76	..
61	J T Eichelberger,	St. Cloud, "	January, 1895	"	57	..
62	Richard L Brooks,	Selbyville, "	September 21, 1896	"	85	..
63	Robert Brooks,	St. Albans, "	February 14, 1895	"	..	..
64	J L Boylen,	Roanoke, "	June 23, 1895	Effective	29	4
65	D A McGinnis,	Mole Hill, "	May 17, 1896	Superannuated	..	7
66	B S Benndem,	Salem, "	()	Superannuated	71	6

They rest from their labors, and their works do follow them.

Reports of Standing Committees.

Report of the Committee on Education.

The Educational Development of West Virginia since the close of the civil war, reads almost like a romance. Then there was no school system or public school buildings. Now every hill and valley has its neat and comfortable school house, wherein is taught, for five months in the year, a free public school under a system which compares favorably with that in the older States.

As to higher Education perhaps more progress has been made during the past ten years than in the preceding thirty years. We have come to see that if we would hold our promising young people in our State, we must educate them here, and, that if we would hold them true to Methodism, to Christianity, and to the highest ideals of life and character, we must educate them in the Institutions of the church. This principle is every where recognized as vital, by churches and by christian educators. The college should be as much, and more, a center of christian work and influence, as much an agency of evangelization as the church itself. This can possibly be true only of the college owned and controlled by the church of Christ. The motto of Harvard—alas! now for a long time so slightly realized—should be the inspiring motto of every higher Institution of learning, "PRO CHRISTO ET ECCLESIAE," for Christ and the Church.

Our church is not without these mighty arms of power, and we take pleasure in naming the different Institutions with which our Conference is connected. We rejoice in the continued prosperity of Allegheny College, Ohio Wesleyan University, and Mt. Union College, the only Institutions, beyond the boundary of our Conference, to which we sustain an official relation. To these Colleges we will lend our sympathy and support, recommending our young people who have completed a course at the Conference Seminary to find in them the best opportunities for a full College course under the highest christian influences. These Institutions are worthy of our fullest confidence and hearty support. These

colleges only, have any claim on the Methodism of West Virginia.

We are also glad to recommend to our young men the Theological schools of our church, and emphasize the importance of the men who are offering themselves for the ministry, seeking the best educational equipment possible. Drew Seminary, Garrett Biblical Institute, and Boston School of Theology offer the opportunities needed at a small expense, and under such condition that no young man of merit need despair of securing a Theological training.

Foremost in our affections stands our own Conference Seminary, possibly the most successful school of its kind in the entire church. Last year was, in many respects, the most successful in its history. Three hundred and forty different students were enrolled, and the religious atmosphere of the school was even more marked than before, while the financial condition furnishes reason for much hopefulness as to the future. The report of the regularly appointed Conference visitors which was published in our church papers showed the work of the Seminary to be in competent hands, and of a character not surpassed for thoroughness in any other schools of church or State. Graduates of the Seminary are sought for and admitted to the leading college without examination, where they take high rank in scholarship. But more important still is the blessed religious influence which has been a marked feature of the school from the first. This has never been so strong as during the past year. Probably no other Institution of the church has a more positive christian atmosphere than ours. Nearly all the unconverted students are sooner or later brought to Christ, and those already christians are greatly helped in their christian life. A number of our best and most promising young men preparing for the ministry are now in the Seminary, while others are already laboring in various fields throughout the Conference. The good work of the school in raising the ministerial standard of the Conference will be more apparent each successive year. The attendance is almost the same as last year. The first year in the Ladies' Hall has served to prove beyond any question the wisdom of building it. The daughters of our Methodist Home now have in the heart of their own Conference a boarding school equal to the best. Not a few from other churches are pleased to place their sons and daughters in the Seminary.

We rejoice in the fine financial exhibit made by the Institution during the past year, showing all current expenses met in full.

We recommend that the Seminary collection be continued as the "Public Educational" collection, provided for in the Discipline, and that it remain as last year, five per cent. on the cash salary of pastors.

2. We urge each pastor to carry out the order of the Discipline to preach on Education, taking the collection on that day; and we recommend the month of October or November as the most opportune time.

3. Being convinced that we can never hold our young men in West Virginia, so long as we have not a full college course in our own Institution, it is our conviction that earnest effort should be made by all our preachers to secure a permanent endowment for our school in order that it may present the advantage of a college course and thus retain many who are now lost to us.

4. In view of the fact that many of our young people are being influenced to attend schools either indifferent to the church or adverse thereto, we pledge ourselves to work first and always for our own Conference school, and send to its Halls, so far as we are able, all our young people who seek an education away from home.

5. We recommend the renewal of the appointment of B. W. Hutchinson, as President, and W. A. Haggerty, as Instructor in the Seminary.

The Board of Education has done a work of great and far reaching importance in organizing the educational work of the church under the guidance of Rev. C. H. Payne, D. D. LL. D. We will continue to observe Children's Day according to the plan of the Discipline, and earnestly advise, so far as practicable, the use of the program issued by the Board.

We recommend the following persons to be appointed as visitors to our various schools:

Allegheny—D. A. Denton and J. A. Fullerton.

Ohio Wesleyan University—C. B. Graham and E. D. Hanna.

Baltimore Woman's College—S. K. Arbuthnot and F. N. Lynch.

Mt. Union College—N. B. Johnson and A. Cameron.

Depauw University—G. D. Smith and A. B. Rohrbough.

Drew Seminary—W. G. Smith and Wm. Anderson.

Boston University—F. H. J. King and G. C. Shaw.

Conference Seminary—G. W. Kepler, J. Engle, S. J. Cotton, A. S. Arnett, G. Bleakley, C. Warman, C. E. Shaw, W. B. King, T. P. Jacobs, K. S. Boreman, and J. R. Trotter.

We also recommend that the following appointments be made:

Trustee Ohio Wesleyan University—A. B. Palmer.

Allegheny Board of Control—D. L. Ash, C. E. Clark, Henry Jones, and Dr. ——— Spragg, Wheeling, W. Va.

Mt. Union Board of Supervisors—D. S. Hammond and A. L. Wade.

Board of Trustees for Conference Seminary—Hon. Samuel Woods, J. D. Rigg, A. B. Riker, and S. D. Tamblin.

WHEREAS, The American University gives promise of such large possibilities for Protestant Higher Education and Culture, and possesses such extraordinary advantages by its location at the Capitol of the Nation, therefore, be it

Resolved, That, as a Conference, we give it our hearty sympathy, our prayers and our best endeavors for the promotion of its interests; that we will acquaint our laymen with the circumstances and advantages to be derived by our church, and, on account of it possessing an Institution which must, in time, cause it to be the admiration of the world, the Mecca of Protestant scholarship, and place our church where it logically should be—at the head of the Educational world.

Respectfully submitted,

B. W. HUTCHINSON, Chairman.

G. D. SMITH, Secretary.

Committee on Observance of the Sabbath.

The observance of the Sabbath is one of the fundamental principles of good morals and christian civilization. Sabbath breaking is the hand-in-hand companion of intemperance and viciousness, and is a pre-condition to crime and lawlessness. One day out of seven kept holy to the Lord is a safeguard to the church, the home, and the State. Our young people can never be counted safe from the clutches of vice and ruin until cautiously guarded against this evil.

While we believe the due observance of the Sabbath is in a state of progression, yet it is alarming to what extent pleasure seeking and money making schemes, such as excursions, visiting, open places of business, ordinary labor, and so on, are practiced on this day in certain localities.

Engagements on this day for any other purpose than the glory of God are repugnant to the plain word of God and the good moral sense of any people, therefore

Resolved, That we, as a body of God's servants, are unalterably opposed to any and all desecrations of the Lord's day, either

by corporations or private individuals, and that we will strive by both precept and example, to lift this day to the sacredness which the Almighty has designed it to be, and,

Whereas, Railroad companies and many other corporate bodies habitually desecrate this holy day by compelling men in their employ to follow their usual vocations, in many instances, for no other cause than that of gain.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed by the Annual Conference to present a memorial to the corporate bodies, properly representing the attitude of the M. E. church toward this great evil, and we hereby recommend the appointment of Revs. A. B. Riker, A. Moore, and F. N. Lynch as such committee.

Respectfully submitted,

P. L. BENT, Chairman.

A. KELLY, Secretary.

Epworth League Committee.

Your committee on Epworth League desires to submit the following report for your consideration:

It is with deepest gratitude to the Great Head of the church, that we recognize the rapid growth of the Epworth League, both in numbers and proficiency. While we hail with great joy the fact that the League is proving to be a most potent factor in the promotion of intelligence, loyalty, piety, and devotion to the various interests of the church among our young people, we do not believe that it has yet reached the acme of its usefulness.

Looking, therefore, toward widening the channel for a fuller and freer outlet to the vigorous energies of our christian young man and womanhood, in recommending the following:

1. That an Epworth League Chapter be organized at every appointment within the bounds of every circuit and charge in the Conference, where a sufficient number of young people can be gathered, even for a small organization, and to give further emphasis to the importance of thus organizing our young people, we believe that this Conference would be fully warranted in placing at a discount any pastor who fails to make proper efforts to secure such organizations.

2. That we urge, with equal emphasis, the importance of organizing Junior Leagues.

3. That, as pastors, we will use our influence in getting our Epworth Leagues interested in helping to lift the oppressive debt from the shoulders of our Missionary Society, and in order that some immediate relief may be given, we recommend that a

special Thank Offering be made by each Epworth League on Thanksgiving Day.

4. That each Chapter be urged to procure a reading course and pursue it systematically until finished.

5. That each Chapter be urged to send delegates to the District and State Conventions as the inspiration received at these Conventions will greatly accelerate the progress of the League throughout the State.

6. That, if any of our pastors are not fully informed on the subject of Epworth League work, that they be requested to apply to the General Secretary for the necessary literature that they may equip themselves for intelligent work along the various lines of the League movement.

7. That each Chapter furnish to the Epworth Department of the Times, such items of information relative to the work of the local organizations, as may be of general interest to the various Chapters throughout the Conference. This will tend to keep them in healthful touch with one another.

8. That each pastor seek to place a copy of the Conference minutes in the hands of the President of his League or Leagues, with the request that these resolutions be read to the Chapter, that they may understand that the Conference is in deepest sympathy with their work.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. J. HARKNESS, Chairman.

A. W. COWNEY, Secretary.

Parsonages and Furniture.

WHEREAS, There is a long felt need of furnished parsonages in many of our charges, therefore be it resolved

That we as pastors use our utmost effort to build parsonages where there are none, and have them furnished with comfortable heavy furniture, and in vacating them we will have them prepared to invitingly receive those who follow us.

ALEX JUSTICE,
Chairman.

BENJ. F. HILL,
Secretary.

Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society.

We renew the expression of our appreciation of the great

usefulness of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society. We believe God has called the Methodist Episcopal Church to this work, and rejoice in the great things already accomplished.

The defusion of knowledge, the renovation of society, the creation of patriotic sentiment, the conversion of souls and the building up of flourishing churches among these wretched and otherwise neglected people, are to us evidences that God has approved the work done and is still leading us.

It is to be regretted that this, as other benevolent Societies of the Church, has suffered and is now suffering great embarrassment for the want of money with which to prosecute its work.

In view of the grand achievements of the past, the urgent needs of the present, and the wonderful possibilities of this important arm of the Church, we hereby resolve, that we will this year renew our effort to raise in our charges the entire apportionment for this cause.

TAYLOR RICHMOND,
Secretary.

T. W. CHIDESTER,
President.

Committee on Church Extension.

Your Committee on Church Extension would submit the following report:

We recognize the importance of this branch of the work of our church, as seen from the report, within the bounds of our own Conference.

The collections taken in our churches from the	
beginning to November 1, 1895, aggregated	\$11,247 98
To this our Conference adds this year	- 706 00
(an increase of \$23)	

Making a total of	\$11,953 98
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Churches within the bounds of our Conference have received aid up to this date

By donations of	\$20,027 80
By loans of	7,900 00
Total,	\$27,927 80

For the ensuing year, our Conference is asked to raise, by collections, \$2,000.

Our needy churches may, on approved application, receive \$1,600.

The amount of aid granted must depend on the amount of the collections taken, and cannot exceed the proportion above indicated. Interest, therefore, in our own Conference, should inspire us to use all diligence to secure the full amount asked.

We recognize the great value of the Loan Fund, the principal of which is now nearly \$1,000,000. Churches borrowing from it should keep faith and return loans, in order that other needy churches may be helped.

We regard the tenure of church property as exceedingly important, and urge upon Presiding Elders to examine or have examined all county records when titles are being made and see that our property is securely held.

We earnestly recommend the bi-monthly publication, "Christianity in Earnest," and urge our pastors to secure the subscribers necessary to a free yearly subscription for themselves.

We recommend for adoption, the following resolutions:

1. We heartily congratulate the Board of Church Extension, and the church-at-large, on the remarkable success of this work through a period of thirty years.

2. That our country, being new, with rapidly increasing population and unlimited resources, will continue to need Church Extension, in the future as in the past, and that our church, by fostering and strengthening this work, will increase its own power to promote all forms of Christian and benevolent activity.

3. That we, as a Conference, will not be content with anything less than a full response to the call of the General Committee for our proper share in Church Extension, until, everywhere, in communities now destitute, the people shall have opportunity to "enter His courts with praise."

4. That our Presiding Elders be requested to apportion, with care, the full amount asked for Church Extension, to the several districts and pastoral charges for collection; and that, availing ourselves of the helps provided by the Board, and especially Christianity in Earnest and Glad Tidings, we will present this

cause in all our churches, and endeavor to secure, at least, the amount asked in accordance with the plan of our Discipline.

By order of the Committee.

C. E. LEATHERBY, Chairman.

S. J. COTTON, Secretary.

Committee on Periodicals and Book Accounts.

We reiterate the sentiment that the importance of good books and papers in the homes of our people cannot be overestimated. While Methodism has always been "Christianity in earnest," it has also constantly advocated an increase of intellectual culture. To this end it has kept before the people its books and periodicals. We urge our congregations to remember their own great publishing houses when they order books, and we insist that our own literature shall be used in all our Sunday Schools. We recommend every Leaguer to purchase and carefully read the valuable books of the Epworth League Reading Course.

The Pittsburg Christian Advocate is our own paper, and should be in all our families. We deplore the fact that, while its financial exhibit shows a good net profit for the current year, it likewise shows a diminution in the number of Advocates taken within the bounds of the Conference. We, therefore, urge our pastors to press the claims of this paper upon the people both in the public congregation and by private solicitation. We wish its circulation might be doubled this year.

The Methodist Episcopal Times is devoted especially to the interests of Methodism in West Virginia. In its first year's history it has shown that it supplies a long felt want. We welcome it to our homes and trust that the people will encourage its publisher by a largely increased list of subscribers.

W. S. WINANS, Jr.,

M. W. RIDER,

H. SCOTT.

Committee on Missionary Cause.

The cause of Missions is properly regarded as the leading enterprise of Church and should be first in the minds and hearts of our people. And as an expression of our sentiments upon this subject, we offer for adoption the following resolutions:

1st. That we regard the action of the late General Conference in providing for District Missionary Secretaries eminently wise and well calculated to add new vigor to all our Missionary efforts.

2nd. That in view of this action by the General Conference, we deem the present time very opportune for the better organizing of our Conference Missionary Society; and would recommend that in addition to President, Secretary and Treasurer, the Presiding Elders be made the Vice Presidents of our Conference Society, and each Presiding Elder the acting President of his District organization.

3. We further recommend that a District Missionary convention be called for each District in the early part of the year for the purpose of arousing the church to the importance of at once paying off the present debts of the parent Society, and planning for more aggressive and systematic missionary work.

4. That it be made the duty of the Conference and District Secretaries to assist in actively promoting this work by co-operating with the Presiding Elders in looking after such places where collections are neglected, and by helping the pastors in every way they can in promoting the general interests of the missionary cause.

Respectfully submitted,

B. B. EVANS, Chairman.

A. B. ROHRBOUGH, Secretary.

Committee on Presiding Elders' Accounts.

We, your Committee on Presiding Elders' Accounts, beg leave to report, after examining all the accounts, that we find them all to be correct.

B. D. MAHONE,
D. S. HAMMOND,
G. W. ALLEY.

Committee on Temperance.

We have no further declaration to make with respect to the evils and pernicious influence of the liquor traffic upon the individual, the home and the state; nor of its deadly opposition to all that is represented by public education and the influences of the

Christian churches. What we need is not resolutions, but action. We therefore simply reaffirm our general declarations upon this subject, and we call upon our Bishops and Presiding Elders and the ministers of the churches to cry aloud and spare not upon this most important subject of vital interest to the church, and we call upon the laymen in our churches to give heed and earnest support to the voice of the church on this question.

Inasmuch as the liquor traffic has intrenched itself in politics and the great need of the hour is a remedy that shall dislodge it from behind this bulwark, in furtherance of this end we are

Resolved, First, That the government should abolish all schemes and systems of either license or taxation, and should adopt legal prohibition of the manufacture, sale and use of intoxicating beverages, and with the strictest safeguards and restrictions upon the manufacture and sale of liquors for medicinal and mechanical purposes.

Resolved, Third, That we heartily endorse the American Anti-Saloon League, and pledge to that organization our earnest support, and pursuant to this resolution your Committee recommends the appointment of two delegates to represent this Conference at the next session of said League, which will be held at Washington, D. C., December 8-10, 1896.

Resolved, Fourth, That in accordance with the recommendations of General Conference we will observe the fourth Sunday in November for the purposes set forth in recommendation 3, pp. 42.

F. M. MALCOLM,
Secretary.

A. MICK,
President.

Report of Committee on Bible Cause.

We the committee on Bible Cause recommend:

Whereas the Bible is the revealed will of God to man and is profitable for reproof, correction, instruction in righteousness; and contains the great plan of salvation fully illustrated and exemplified so as to meet the demands of the high and low alike. Be it resolved, therefore,

First. That we recommend that each member of this Conference use all possible diligence in reading and searching the word of Divine truth, making it the basis of all knowledge.

Be it resolved, second. That we take due carefulness in the

placing of the Bible and Catechisms, in the homes of all our people, and insist on the reading and studying the same.

Be it resolved, third. That all our members be requested to purchase all needed books from our publishing houses, which pays a dividend to the Conference claimants, and thereby relieves the church (in a measure) from direct apportionment.

W. T. McCUTCHEON, Chairman.

R. G. BACKUS, Secretary.

Committee on Sunday-Schools and Tracts.

Whereas, the tract, on account of its inexpensiveness, its adaptation to almost every variety of need, its convenience and ease in circulation and its brevity, is a very great evangelizing agency, and

Whereas, the Tract Society of our church commands a vast assortment of tract literature, which is in the service of our pastors and Tract Committees, and that special grants of tracts will be given wherever circumstances require, and

Whereas, our Tract Society gives annually to the cause of missions \$6,000 or \$7,000; therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend that this Conference raise its apportionment of the annual contribution of the entire church, which is \$540.

2. Whereas, the Sunday-school work of our church is a great work embracing 30,259 Sunday-schools, with 352,627 officers and teachers and 2,585,178 scholars, having had 132,697 conversions last year, and

Whereas, the religious education of the young is of vast importance; therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend the taking in full our apportionment (\$540) of the solicited annual contribution of the entire church.

Resolved further, That great care should be taken by the Sunday-school in the selection of teachers, that the plan of normal classes for the better training of teachers, as presented by the Sunday-school department of our church, be approved, that they be organized wherever practicable and registered in the office of the Sunday-School Union.

Resolved also, That we recommend the use of the Sunday-school publications of the Methodist Book Concern as the literature of our Sunday-schools; that parents require their children to study the lessons at home during the week, and that both teachers and scholars use the Bible, and not merely the lesson help, in the Sunday-school class.

Signed,

M. TALBOTT,
E. D. HANNA,
F. M. CAIN, Secretary.

Report of Board of Stewards.

Report of Board of Stewards for year ending September 21, 1896.

We find receipts for Conference claimants are

From Districts and Ministers one per cent.	\$2,541 21
“ Interest on Permanent Fund,	280 06
“ Dividend of Book Concern,	1,512 00
“ Chartered Fund	22 00
Total receipts,	4,355 27

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Widow Richmond,	\$60 00
“ Burns,	15 00
“ Irwin,	100 00
To Hartley children,	25 00
To Widow Monroe,	75 00
“ Weaver,	25 00
To son of Bro. Young,	30 00
To Widow Parriott,	100 00
“ Heaston and children,	100 00
“ Steele,	100 00
“ Laughlin,	70 00
“ Kurtz and children,	50 00
“ Copeland,	10 00
“ Orwin,	25 00
“ Crossfield,	40 00
“ Trainer,	50 00
“ Rexroad and children,	160 00
“ Stewart,	50 00

To Widow Wallace,	\$100 00
" Hitchens,	40 00
" Northcraft,	40 00
" Boylan,	85 00
" Brooks,	75 00
" Benedum,	50 00
To 2 children of Rev. J. T. Eichelberger, ..	40 00
To Rev. John Birkett,	75 00
" J. T. Carroll,	150 00
" J. J. Dolliver,	50 00
" J. L. Clarke,	160 00
" John Conwell,	200 00
" Benjamin Ison,	150 00
" Gideon Martin,	200 00
" G. W. Matheny,	125 00
" Moore McNeil,	25 00
" Van Sanford,	80 00
" A. Stevens,	150 00
" R. S. Welsh,	125 00
" W. Wriston,	30 00
" J. T. Davis,	100 00
" Benjamin Hagar,	150 00
" A. T. Morriston,	80 00
" J. A. Hammond,	90 00
" W. H. Shaw,	100 00
" B. Darlington,	175 00
" B. E. Rogers,	50 00
" W. D. Carrico,	125 00
" A. A. Nichols,	75 00
" James Kinder,	60 00
" E. C. Woodruff,	100 00
" M. Taylor,	50 00
" W. W. Workman,	50 00
" T. W. Wilson,	50 00
" H. K. Riffe,	10 00
" R. G. Backus,	20 00
" B. B. Brooks,	35 27

\$4 355 27

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That as about \$6,000.00 is needed for the Conference Claimants, that the sum of \$4,200.00 be apportioned among

the charges upon such a basis as the Conference may determine.

Respectfully submitted,

F. H. J. KING, President.

JOHN BAILIE, Secretary.

Resolved, That we recommend that 60 per cent. of the dividend of the Book Concern and of the proceeds of Chartered Fund be used for necessitous cases; the other 40 per cent. to be used for the special Annuity Fund.

STEWARDS.

District Conference Journals.

The Committee on District Conference Journals, having examined the journals of Charleston, Huntington, Oakland and Wheeling Districts, find them, so far as we were able to determine, correct.

H. K. RIFFE,
J. C. STRADER,
L. E. LESLIE,
Committee.

Report of Missionary Committee on Appropriations.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

Barbour	\$ 25 00	Elkins	\$ 40 00
Beverly	50 00	Flatwoods	36 00
Cleveland	30 00	Montrose	30 00
Cowan	50 00	Mingo	59 00
Cutlipville	20 00	Newlan	25 00
Duffy	20 00	Ten Mile	25 00
Total			\$410 00

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

Arnoldsburg	\$ 30 00	Raymond	\$ 45 00
Clendenen	40 00	Leon	15 00
Buffalo	45 00	Malden	50 00
Danaville	35 00	Reedy	40 00
Elmwood	40 00	Ripley	50 00
Goldtown	30 00	Spencer	70 00
Graham Mines	45 00	Walton	30 00
Ravenswood	60 00	West Charleston	100 00
			\$725 00

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

Enterprise	\$ 60 00	Wilsonburg	\$ 60 00
Marion	91 00	Smithton	75 00
Pine Grove	50 00		
		Total	\$333 00

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

District	\$100 00	Heart's Creek	\$ 60 00
Ashton	40 00	Hurricane	50 00
Cassville	30 00	Kanawha City	50 00
Coalburg	60 00	Milton	50 00
Coal River	40 00	Oilville	60 00
Copleyville	40 00	St. Alban's	75 00
Dingess	100 00	Sheridan	30 00
Egypt	60 00	Williamson	100 00
Hamlin	50 00	Winfield	38 00
Henderson	40 00		
		Total	\$1,073 00

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

Littleton	\$ 99 00	Arnettsville	\$ 50 00
Masontown	50 00	Tunnelton	40 00
		Total	\$239 00

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

Birch River	\$ 40 00	Kanawha	\$ 44 00
Boone	44 00	Logan	40 00
Claremont	80 00	Matville	30 00
Clay	50 00	Norwood	90 00
Concord	30 00	Oceana	30 00
Elk River	20 00	Raleigh	80 00
Flat Top	44 00	Tate Creek	30 00
Hewett	40 00	District	125 00
Hinton	20 00		
		Total	\$837 00

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

Albrightsville	\$ 60 00	Parsons	\$ 60 00
Aurora	55 00	Rowlesburg	40 00
Brandonville	40 00	Red Creek	50 00

Cranesville	\$75 00	Elk Lick	\$60 00
Etam	30 00	Terra Alta	20 00
Grantsville	21 00		
Total			\$521 00

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

North Parkersburg	\$100 00	Big Bend	\$ 39 00
Pleasants	65 00	Pursley	35 00
West Union	35 00	Cairo	30 00
South Parkersburg	125 00		
Total			\$430 00

WHEELING DISTRICT.

McMechen	\$ 40 00	Fulton	\$ 40 00
Total			\$ 80 00

C. B. GRAHAM, Chairman.

J. ENGLE, Secretary.

Committee on Conference Evangelists.

We your Committee, appointed to consider the number and qualifications of Conference Evangelists for the West Virginia Conference report as follows: After due consideration of all the interests involved in the appointment of such evangelists, respectfully recommend that the whole matter be deferred for one year.

A. MICK, Pres'd.

E. D. HANNA, Sec.

Secretary's Financial Statement.

	Dr.	Cr.
To Printing Minutes, - - -	\$167 25	
“ Mailing, Expressage, Stationery, -	45 60	
“ Unpaid Minute Fund for 1894-95 -	29 75	
By Minute Subscription and Collection,		\$167 25
“ Advertisements, - - -		93 00
“ Balance due Secretary, - - -		29 75
	<u>\$242 60</u>	<u>\$242 60</u>

Apportionment of the Missionary Collections.

Buckhannon District,	\$2400 00	Charleston District,	\$1700 00
Clarksburg "	1750 00	Huntington "	1201 00
Morgantown "	2300 00	New River "	940 00
Oakland "	1500 00	Parkersburg "	2500 00
Wheeling "	3300 00		
		Total,	\$17,596 00

Committee on Episcopal Fund.

Buckhannon District,	\$148 00	Charleston District,	\$ 95 00
Clarksburg "	162 00	Huntington "	64 00
Morgantown "	164 00	New River "	45 00
Oakland "	132 00	Parkersburg "	161 00
Wheeling "	235 00		
		Total,	\$1206 00

Treasurer's Report of the West Virginia Conference for 1896.

Names of Districts	Missionary Society.	Church Extension.	Sunday School Union.	Tract Society.	Freedman's Aid and Southern Edn. Society.	EDUCATION		Bible Society.	Woman's For. Mis. Society.	Woman's H. Mis. Society.	Episcopal Fund.	Conference Claimants.		General Con. Expenses.	Conference Seminary.	Other Collections.	Total Money Raised.
						Children's Fund	Other Edu- cational Obj.					From Collections	Pastors 1 per cent				
Buckhannon,	1163	137	31	33	77	70	6	27	8	2	99	23	87	47	291		2311
Charleston,	331	35	5	4	13	45		33			38	7	6	1	6	18	774
Clarksburg,	649	68	19	15	42	146	57	17	1		62	188	53		116		1439
Huntington,	476	44	10	8	18	19		8	95		33	7	2	17	80	10	927
Morgantown,	844	68	14	14	52	51	19	24	80		87	22	76	17	123		1637
New River,	127	19	3	3	4	10		1		1	12	10	20	12	24		260
Oakland,	780	74	26	21	52	43	14	29	138	1	75	20	77	25	154		1722
Parkersburg,	1386	91	20	20	77	57	26	19	0	7	111	25	100	14	163		2467
Wheeling,	2143	170	35	26	139	129	34	68	531	10	147	54	116		189	364	4616
Total,	7952	706	163	154	474	571	156	266	903	93	634	193	635	127	1215	387	16313
Last year, . . .	7446	638	137	131	509	548	20	246	773	39	647	1912	864	430	1456	408	15209
Increase,	507	23	23	23	65	23		20	133	43	17	293	71				1194
Decrease,					35		49							303	241	21	

Resolutions.

1st. That we have been happy to welcome to our Conference Bishop John F. Hurst as its presiding officer, and have enjoyed his administration of the affairs of the Conference and hereby extend our most hearty wish for his return to us, in this capacity, soon again, and that we will pray for the success of the Great University, whose interest lies so near to his heart.

2nd. That we sincerely appreciate the kind hospitality extended the Conference by the good people of Moundsville, and hereby extend our warmest thanks to Bro. C. E. Clark for his unceasing efforts for the comfort of the Conference.

3rd. That we hereby express our satisfaction and appreciation of the faithful work of our Secretaries and their assistants.

4th. That we hereby express our thanks to the railroads and public press for favors extended the Conference.

F. D. T. BICKLEY,
A. CAMERON,
Committee.

Whereas, Since religious conventions are multiplying and their demands are becoming more and more exacting; and,

Whereas, These make a large draft upon the time and money of our preachers and people who attend or are members of said conventions; and,

Whereas, These numerous conventions, in our judgment, can not continue to be made successful continually; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the West Virginia Conference Epworth League, hereby petition the West Virginia Annual Conference to approve the following amendment to our constitution, viz.: Wherever in the constitution of the West Virginia Conference Epworth League the word "annual" occurs (in reference to the time of holding the conventions of said League) it be stricken out

and the word "biennial" substituted, thus making the conventions of the West Virginia Conference Epworth League to occur biennially instead of annually.

Resolved, That in the sense of the West Virginia Epworth League Convention, Article VIII. of the present constitution of this body should be amended so as to read as follows:

Article VII. Amendments. This constitution may be amended by a two-third vote of any regular Conference of the West Virginia Conference Epworth League. Provided, however, that said amendment shall have been presented to the convention twelve (12) hours before action is taken by the convention and that said amendment shall meet with the approval of the West Virginia Annual Conference.

W. A. HAGGERTY,
D. A. DENTON.

Whereas, It is commonly reported throughout the Conference that several of the younger brethren, who, before the bar of the Conference, promised to abstain from the use of tobacco, are now using it; and,

Whereas, Membership in the Conference is voluntary, based upon the most solemn covenant engagements and obligations, so that, if one party withdraws from the covenant, it is to be presumed the other party has the same right; therefore,

Resolved, That any brethren who have changed their views and practices in regard to this question, be requested to give a satisfactory explanation to the next ensuing session of this Conference of the reason of such change.

J. W. BEDFORD,
L. H. JORDAN,
S. K. ARBUTHNOT,
F. N. LYNCH,
J. ENGLE,
C. B. GRAHAM,
C. B. MEREDITH,
S. M. DAY,
N. L. BAUMGARDENER,
A. B. ROHRBOUGH.

Whereas, Our Secretary is often embarrassed for lack of funds to publish our minutes,

Resolved, That Friday, 11 o'clock, be made a special time for calling the roll and giving the brethren time to answer how much they have given or will give for the Minute Fund, and that the call be made as often as necessary from day to day at the above-named hour.

N. B. JOHNSON,
J. W. BEDFORD,
C. B. GRAHAM.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Conference that no man should be admitted on trial who is over thirty-five years of age.

COMMITTEE ON GENERAL QUALIFICATION.

Resolved, That we have heard Dr. Crawford with special delight. We congratulate him upon the success of Allegheny College. We assure him that the West Virginia Conference is in allegiance with that noble institution.

W. S. WINANS, JR.,
S. J. MILLER.

Statistics No. 3.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

III

MINUTES OF THE WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

Name of Charge.	Name of Pastor.	Pastor's Support.					Support of P. Elders.		Support of Bishops.		Conf. Claimants		Current Expenses.	
		Claims.		Receipts.		Deficiencies.	Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	Rec. from.		Total.	Sunday School: Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.
		Salary.	House Rent.	Salary.	House Rent.						Collections.	Endowments.		
Addison.	P. L. Bent	500	50	550	395	50	445	105	50	50	6	14	18	52
Barbour.	J. W. Engle, supply	200		200	59		59	141	30	30				5
Belington.	A. B. Rohrbough	416	84	500	216	84	300	200	40	32			4	100
Beverly.	James W. Engle	425		425	357		357	68	60	60				45
Buckhannon.	Asbury Mick	1100	125	1225	1100	125	1225	110	110	110	12	25	11	36
Buckhannon, 2d Church.	J. W. Hardesty, sup	50		50	27		27	23	8	8	1	1	1	14
Buckhannon Circuit.	C. B. Meredith	600	50	650	630	50	680	100	100	11	3	8	6	14
Cleveland.	Perry H. Hawk	200		200	160		160	40	24	24	1	1	2	20
Cowan.	William Fallen	200	40	240	139	40	179	61	20	20	2	3	1	4
Cutlipville.	G. J. Crafts, supply	125		125	124		124	1	14	14	1	1		8
Duffy.	John O. Bolton	300	30	330	255	30	285	45	34	34	2	5	3	16
East Buckhannon.	J. H. Penny, supply.	300	70	370	256	14	270	100	30	21	1	1	1	9
Elkins.	Gratton U. Balsley	400		400	435		435	40	40	40	5	10	4	10
Flatwoods.	Fred Cottrell	490	50	540	310	50	360	180	50	46	2	2	3	10
Freemansburg.	Martin Talbott	425	75	500	425	75	500	60	60	60	4	15	4	13
Frenchton.	C. E. Leatherby	500	50	550	435	50	485	65	65	65	5	10	4	14
Glenville.	J. C. Strader	500	75	575	412	75	487	88	60	56	0	17	4	19
Holly Grove.	O. U. Marple	400	50	450	378	50	428	22	38	38	4	12	3	15
Montrose.	H. M. Strader	300	24	324	260	24	284	40	32	32	4	5	3	8
Mingo.	Thomas Lewis, sup	175	30	205	120	30	150	55	28	28	3	6	6	6
Newlon.	Daniel Westfall, sup	330		330	306		306		36	30	4	8	2	11
Philippi.	W. J. Sharps	600	100	700	450	100	550	150	65	65	6	10	5	15
South Buckhannon.	T. W. Chidester	600		600	550		550	50	70	68	7	12	5	17
Sutton.	George D. Smith	600	75	675	600	75	675		66	66	7	12	6	18
Ten Mile.	A. L. Ireland	400	25	425	325	25	350	75	36	34	3	5	2	8
Troy.	J. A. Martency	530	50	580	370	50	420	160	65	65	7	16	4	20
Weston.	W. J. Harkness	900	180	1080	820	180	1000	80	100	96	10	21	2	24
Weston Circuit.	W. T. W. Sleeth	400		400	312		312	88	30	30	4	8	3	11
Totals		11935	1233	13168	10220	1177	11403	1837	1367	1338	146	235	87	320
														1275
														1047

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Statistics No. 4.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.												
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.	Sunday Sch'l Union	Tract Society.	EDUCATION				American Bible Society.	Women's Foreign Missionary Society.	Wom'n's Home Missionary Society.
	Church,	Sunday School,	Total				Children's Fund.	Other Education- al Objects Seminary.	Free men's Aid and South. Ed. Society	Children's Fund.			
Addison	106		106	11	2	2	6	20					18
Barbour	8		8	1	1								4
Belington	6	4	10	1	1	1	1	2					4
Beverly	25		30	2				12					4
Buckhaanon	144	86	230	16	3		9	55					36
Buckhannon, Second Church	8		8										1
Buckhannon Circuit	34	6	40	3	2		4						14
Cleveland	15	5	20	1			1			4			2
Cowan	20		20	3	1	1		5					4
Cutlipville	3		3	1									1
Duffy	22		22	2	1	1							8
East Buckhannon	3		3					7					1
Elkins	36		36	8	2	2		2					5
Flatwoods	15		15	4		1	5	1					14
Freemansburg	25	5	30	8	1	1		20					19
Frenchton	55	5	60				4						5
Glenville	41		41	14	2	2	7	5					6
Holly Grove	55	1	56	8	1	1	5	21		1			4
Montrose	30		30	4	1	1		15					4
Mingo	17		17	1	1	1							2
Newlon	70		70	7	2	2	4						4
Philippi	15	5	20					15					11
South Buckhannon	38	2	40	2	1	1		20		6			4
Sutton	38	12	50	3	1		2	25		1			3
Ten Mile	12		12	3	1	1		8					17
Troy	60		60	14	4	4		5					2
Troy	60		60	14	4	4		22					7
Weston	70	30	100	10	4	4	10	6		15	15	6	10
Weston Circuit	12		12	3			2						4
Totals	988	166	1,149	129	32	33	76	297	28	8	2	90	320

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

IV

STATISTICAL.

S. P. CRUMMETT, - - - STATISTICAL SECRETARY.

Address: Kingwood, Preston county, W. Va.

L. W. ROBERTS, - - - TREASURER.

Address: Wheeling, Ohio county, W. Va.

Statistics No. 1.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Church Membership.				Bapt's.		Sunday Schools.		No. of Churches.	CHURCH PROPERTY.						Present Indebtedness Church property.
	No. Probationers.	No. Full Members	No. Loc'l French's	No. of Deaths.	No. Child'n Bapt'd	No. adults Baptiz'd	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value.	Paid for building Churches and Parsonages.	Paid for building and improving Church prop.	Paid on old Indebtedness Church prop.	
Addison	48	350	1	2	12	24	10	84	475	5	5700	1	800	150		
Barbour	3	232	1	2	2	2	3	24	12	5	2900					
Belington	11	379	1	3	4	16	6	66	380	5	10000					
Beverly	12	207	2	1	1	4	4	32	200	2	3000					
Buckhannon	9	380	4	1	1	11	1	20	310	1	6000	1	2000		250	650
Buckhannon, 2d Church	16	26				6	1	9	62	1	600					73
Buckhannon Circuit	21	503	1	6	22	2	56	300	7	8000	1	500	95			
Cleveland	10	200	2		20	3	7	47	360	1	1000	1	500	600	40	30
Cowan	25	26		5	5	9	2	12	87		1	400	1200	30		400
Cutlipville	34	118	1		7				1		800					12
Duffy	61	337	1	4	1	7	4	36	205	4	4300	1	450		15	156
East Buckhannon	54	266	1	5	1	12	6	54	360	6	3000			34	1	42
Elkins	24	119		5	7	1	1	10	207	1	4000			96		750
Flatwoods	15	169	1	10		4	2	20	170	4	5500	1	800			
Freemansburg	4	404	4	4		15	7	42	259	7	4541	1	875	177		75
Frenchton	15	345	2	4	1	2	6	65	367	6	3800	1	500	41		
Glenville	15	406	2	2	1	9	7	50	226	6	7000	1	700	235		1000
Holly Grove	21	308	2	2		22	7	58	432	7	4300	1	650	2	15	40
Montrose	17	185	2	1	4	12	3	44	277	3	2300					
Mingo	2	62	1				1	12	51	1	300	1	500			
Newton	60	235	1	2	2	32	6	53	200	4	3000				75	25
Philippi	53	440	2	4	1	22	7	46	300	5	7000	1	1000			
South Buckhannon	5	423		4		24	5	46	313	6	4000		300			
Sutton	56	387	1	4	11	61	8	72	401	5	4000	1	800	1500	14	76
Ten Mile	60	370	1	2	4	7	6	66	350	5	3500	1	300	10	58	50
Troy	20	434	1	3		43	8	78	375	9	9000	1	1000	900		
Weston	7	230		3	4	3	1	15	125	1	5000	1	3500			
Weston Circuit	16	237		2	6	10	9	70	350	6	5000					50
Totals	713	7763	35	76	83	426	133	1193	7361	114	118441	17	15275	5244	594	3429

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Church Membership.			Bapt's.		Sunday Schools.		CHURCH PROPERTY.								
	No. Probationers.	No. Full Members	No. Loc'l Preach'rs	No. of Deaths.	No. Child'n Bapt'd	No. adults Baptiz'd	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness Ch'ch prop.	Present Indebtedness Church property.
Arnoldsburg	29	329	3	1	4	33	0	50	500	4	2000			20		
Charleston	26	324	1	5	6	5	1	56	414	1	1000	1	4 00	377	300	1480
Charleston Circuit	35	302	12	6	6	22	6	36	240	6	3960	1	600	1000		40
Clendenen		121	1	3	2	12	4	41	165	2	1800	1	500	400		
Clifton and Mason	20	235	1	4	20	30	2	34	240	3	2500	1	500	20		
Cottageville	15	239	12	3	16	5	45	235	2	2000	1	800	75	60		
Danaville	2	184	1	3	2	8	4	46	275	2	2000					
East Charleston	19	237	3	2	2	5	6	40	304	2	2000				23	
Elmwood	13	203	3	5	4	74	3	22	160	1	300	1	200	100		
Fisher's	20	220	6	4	6	30	4	40	160	3	2500	1	250		10	
Hartford	15	287	1	4	7	3	3	32	200	3	3000	1	800	620		90
Leon	26	159		3	4	6	4	33	137	5	1850			22	20	137
Malden	15	74	1	1	1	1	1	10	90	1	3000	1	400	800		17
Mt. Union	12	154	4	2	3	5	3	34	180	4	2400			75		100
Noble	33	389	1	5	3	9	9	83	370	7	5000					200
Point Pleasant	17	150	2	2	8	3	1	17	100	1	5000	1	2000		100	2300
Ravenswood	7	114			10	1	14	80	1	1500	1	1500		80		
Raymond City	44	188	3	2	8	26	7	75	325	3	3000			20	1200	
Reedy	13	100	1	2	2	18	4	25	105	1	800			150		
Ripley		202	2	4	5	5	2	12	120	5	6000	1	500			700
Spencer	9	125	1	2	1	8	2	17	150	3	3800	1	1500	800		
Walton	22	308	1	3	11	6	42	300	3	2500			795			
West Charleston	5	122	1	1	3	3	2	22	152	1	2500	1	800	18	388	705
Totals	393	4713	40	71	98	341	88	820	4802	64	71850	14	14350	4295	2181	5769

Statistics No. 3.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

Name of Charge.	Name of Pastor.	Pastor's Support.						Deficiencies.	Support of P. Elders.	Support of Bishops.	Support of Conf. Claimants.			Total.	Current Expenses.	
		Claims.			Receipts.						Rec. from.	Other Sources, per cent.	Total.		Sunday School, Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.	Church: Session, Light, Fuel, etc.
		Salary.	House Rent.	Total.	Salary.	House Rent.	Total.									
Arnoldsburg	H. K. Riffe	300	15	315	240		240	75	50	50	5		2	2	50	10
Charleston	S. J. Cotton	1200	300	1500	1200	300	1500		100	100	14	12	12	35	200	224
Circuit	J. J. White	480	50	530	441	50	491	30	50	50		4	4		80	15
	G. W. Alley	375	30	411	400	36	447		44	44		2	2		15	22
Cendenen	A. Merrell	600		600	500		500	100	56	48		2	5	5	50	80
Clifton and Mason	A. A. Kelly	400	100	500	350	100	450	50	44	44		4	4	9	90	120
Cottageville	H. C. Howard	370		370	325		325	4	42	42		1	3		15	68
Danaville	O. T. Hutchinson	360		360	242		242	118	44	44		4	2	2	10	25
East Charleston	Jno. McKendree	160	12	172	160	12	172		32	32		2			100	20
Elmwood	P. D. Fisher	230	24	254	230	24	254		50	50		4	2	2	4	10
Fishers	V. A. Nanna	350	60	410	350	60	410		50	32		1	2	1	95	84
Hartford	T. W. Wilson	300		300	170		170	130	40	40		4	1	3	11	40
Leo	A. J. Lyda	440	60	500	150	60	210	200	42	20			2	4	30	27
Malden	W. H. Hammond	350		350	230		230	120	30	30		1	1	4	9	10
Mount Union	W. P. Guinn	450		450	375		375	77	64	64		6	1	3	50	43
Noble	Jas. Fish	550	150	700	380	150	530	170	57	57		4	2	8	60	25
Point Pleasant	H. Scott	40	120	520	400	120	520		42	42		5	4	10	50	40
Ravenswood	J. W. Carroll	400		400	375		375	25	52	52		6	2	3	27	125
Raymond City	F. C. Neptune	350		350	172		172	178	32	32		2	1	2	20	20
Reedy	Dell Upton	440	60	500	328	60	388	112	50	44		6			12	20
Ripley	E. L. Meadows	400	100	500	400	100	500		42	42		1			50	50
Spencer	W. T. McCutcheon	400		400	300		300	100	50	50		1	1	1	10	20
Walton	C. D. Hanna	500	112	612	450	112	562		50	44				3	50	50
West Charleston																
Totals		9805	1199	11004	8182	1184	9367	1079	1122	1057	95	39	78	60	1165	1153

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.																
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.	Sunday Sch'l Union	Tract Society.	Freedmen's Aid and South. Ed. Society	EDUCAT'N			American Bible Society.	Women's Foreign Missionary Society	Women's Home Missionary Society.	Episcopal Fund.	Conf. Claimants.	Gen. Conf. Expenses	Other Collections.
	Church,	Sunday School,	Total					Children's Fund.	Other educational Objects.	Seminary.							
Arnoldsburg	5		5														
Charleston	31	155	186	12	2	2	6	18	23	21			12	3			30
Charleston Circuit	11	2	13	3	1	1		1		1							
Clendenen	8		8						2								
Clifton and Mason	26	10	36	1				1									
Cottageville	10		10	2				1									
Danville	5	2	7	1				2	2	1							
East Charleston	2		2										1				
Elmwood	3		3					4					1				
Fisher's																	
Hartford																	
Leon	5	4	9	1													
Malden	2	3	5	1			1	1	1							2	
Mt. Union	21		21						1	2							
Noble	20		20	3					6				1				
Point Pleasant	4	3	7	3	1			14					1				
Ravenswood	15		15	2				1	2		3		4	10		1	
Raymond City	8	4	12	3	1	1		2	1				4	5			
Reedy	3	6	9	1				2	2				2	7	2	2	
Ripley	2		2					1	1				1				
Spencer	5		5														
Walton	2		2										1			1	
West Charleston				3									1				
Totals	190	189	379	36	5	4	13	45	59	31			35	138	6	30	

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Church Membership, Bapt's.					Sunday Schools.		CHURCH PROPERTY.								
	No. Probationers.	No. Full Members	No. Loc'l Preach'rs	No. of Deaths.	No. Child'n Bapt'd	No. adults Baptiz'd	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No of Scholars.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness Ch'ch prop.	Present indebtedness Church property.
Bridgeport.	14	355	1	2	8	9	6	43	290	6	5000	1	1250	48		20
Cherry Camp.	22	220				6	5	43	230	5	5400	1	500	2750		
Clarksburg.	8	204	1	3	6	7	1	19	200	1	18000	1	3000	178		
Eaterprise.	31	179		2	1	18	2	16	41	3	2200			40		
Fairmont.	4	307	4	3		5	1	23	296	1	8000	1	4000	1300		
Farmington.	20	470			5	8	7	32	290	7	8250	1	1800	200	500	800
Jarvisville.	15	300	1	4		8	6	60	324	6	3100			14		4
Logansport.	25	231		1		13	6	43	252	5	5000	1	800			
Lumberport.	68	425	1	3	3	10	8	53	325	7	6200	1	500	16		
Mannington.		160	3	1	1	2	1	15	166	1	7000	1	2000	5000	135	
Marion.	4	227		5		22	6	48	290	7	5600	1	300	11		255
Mount Clare.	48	286	1	3		41	4	41	189	4	5000	1	800	8		
Pine Grove.	20	250	2	8		35	4	28	225	5	2800			50		
Pruntytown.		450	2	4		5	5	45	275	4	7000	1	800	200	40	85
Smithton.	12	235	1	9	1	6	4	23	174	5	2300	1	400	95		
West Milford.	10	290		3		2	3	30	300	4	2000	1	1200			
Wilsonburg.	6	223		4		39	4	24	175	5	5300	1	450	358	75	
Totals.	247	4902	18	68	20	303	73	591	4002	76	98150	14	17800	12038	750	1164

Statistics No. 3.

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

Name of Charge.	Name of Pastor.	Pastor's Support.						Support of		Support of		Conf. Claimants		Current Expenses.			
		Claims.			Receipts.			Deficiencies	P. Elders.	Bishops.	Rec. from.	Total	Other Sources, per cent.	Total	Current Expenses.		
		Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	House Rent	Total										
Bridgeport	C. Poling	635	65	700	455	65	520	180	68	64	20	25	115	94			
Cherry Camp	F. M. Marple	450	50	500	400	50	450	50	60	60	2	2	47	37			
Clarksburg	B. B. Evans	800	200	1000	800	200	1000		75	75	14	14	100	65			
Enterprise	J. F. McClure	300		300	160		160	134	48	48	2	1	10	6			
Fairmont	C. R. Shackelford	800	200	1000	800	200	1000		68	68	14	14	52				
Farmington	W. B. King	500	150	650	500	150	650		68	68	9	5	10	60	70		
Jarvisville	Theophilus McCoy	400	25	425	247	25	272	15	60	41	1	1	2	16	35		
Logansport	F. G. Meredith	410	50	460	368	50	418	42	56	56	7	1	50	28			
Lumberport	H. C. Sanford	600	50	650	450	50	500	150	68	68	8	2	50	40			
Mannington	R. B. Ward	700	200	900	700	200	900		66	66	6	6	110	53			
Marion	L. N. Coffield	400	50	450	350	50	400	41	60	48	7	2	9				
Mount Clare	Taylor Richmond	454	75	529	400	75	475	54	68	56	5	2	12	30	19		
Pine Grove	A. D. Garrett	250	30	280	250	30	280		50	50		1	3	75	20		
Pruntytown	E. D. W. King	540	60	600	465	60	525	75	65	53	2	2	6	70	53		
Smithton	E. S. Withers	364	30	400	217	26	251	149	52	52	4	1	8	35	13		
West Milford	U. Pribble	450	75	525	450	75	525		66	66	8	2	10	40	35		
Wilsonburg	F. B. Davis	336	60	396	280	60	340	50	60	37	8	2	4	50	60		
Totals		8383	1376	9759	7305	1376	8681	1078	1058	976	87	63	188	55	243	912	628

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.											
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.	Sunday Sch: Union	Tract Society.	Freedmen's Aid and South. Ed. Society	EDUCATION.				Conf. Claimants.
	Church.	Sunday School.	Total					Children's Fund.	Other Educational Objects, Seminary.	American Bible Society.	Women's Foreign Missionary Society.	Episcopal Fund.
Bridgeport,	16	11	27	1				2	2			29
Cherry Camp,		7	7					10	4	1		2
Clarksburg,	75	25	100	2	3		10	4	5		14	58
Enterprise,	10		10	2	1		2				1	4
Fairmont,	92	56	148	5	5		12		4		14	52
Farmington,	2		2									10
Jarvisville,	3		3									3
Logansport,	12	3	15	1	1		1	2	1		1	5
Lumberport,	10	13	23	1	1			2	2		2	9
Mannington,	55		55	10	4	2	10	31	17	7	6	39
Marion,	7	8	15	1	1		2	10	1		2	9
Mount Clare,	31	6	37	1	1		1	6	1	2	5	12
Pine Grove,	2	2	4	1	1	1	1	1	2		1	3
Pruntytown,	4		4	3				11	1			6
Smithton,	29	2	31	2	2	1	1	2	3			1
West Milford,	32		32									8
Wilsonburg,	10	5	15						3			10
Totals,	457	143	600	68	19	15	42	107	165	19	1	63
												243
												1
												60

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Church Membership.					Bapt's			Sunday Schools.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. Probationers.	No. Full Members	No. Local Preachers	No. of Deaths.	No. Child n Bapt'd	No. Adults Baptiz'd	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness Church prop.	Present indebtedness Church property.		
Barboursville,	27	113	1	2	4	3	20	169	169	4	2000			10	11	343		
Cassville,	10	190	5	1	1	4	3	146	146			1	200					
Central City,	13	87			10	1	15	141	141	1	2000				141	500		
Ceredo,	23	95	1	1	3	2	23	166	166	2	3100	1	1000	900				
Coalburg,	18	109	1	2	5	4	20	192	192									
Coal River,	1	123	3	1	3	4	23	110	110	2	1500	1	500					
Dingess,	10	27					10	59	59									
Dunlow,	101	245	7	4	8	2	18	119	119									
East Hamlin,	18	98			13	1	30	30	30	1	200							
Fairfield,	5	85			12	2	23	122	122	1	1500	1	400	17				
Gayandotte,	21	137	1		1	8	16	109	109	1	2000	1	1250	150				
Hamlin,	32	173	4	6	52	3	21	205	205	2	2500	1	250	48				
Huntington,																		
" First Church,	40	319			12	10	2	290	290	1	18000	1	3000		745	3275		
" Seventh Avenue,	50	250	4		1	1	19	210	210	1	4000		175	1600				
Milton,	17	330	5		3	7	60	360	360	2	3600	1	400			30		
Monticello,	5	248	1	0	7	5	47	325	325	1	2200		400	150	8	40		
Oilville,	2	55	1	2	1	1	10	37	37	1	800					37		
Otla,		115	1	2	42	4	30	175	175									
Sheridan,	46	69	1	2	3	15	4	100	100	1	200							
St. Albans,	0	98	1		1	3	2	8	8	2	600	1	30					
Wayne,	2	379	4	9	2	17	5	41	310	5	4050	1	400	810	88			
Williamson,	0	21			1	1	9	6	6									
Winfield,	27	187	2	1	15	5	40	186	186	5	2000	1	500	15	14			
Winifred,	3	59		1	1	1	9	65	65									
Totals,	533	3641	37	43	51	233	65	565	3727	37	52650	12	8600	2275	2082	4225		

Statistics No. 3.

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

Name of Charge.	Name of Pastor.	Pastor's Support.						Deficiencies	Support of P. Elders.		Support of Conf. Bishops.		Support of Conf. Claimants			Current Expenses.	Sunday School: Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.	Church: Rent, Light, Fuel, etc.
		Claims.			Receipts.				Amount apportioned	Amount paid	Amount apportioned	Amount paid	Rec. from Collections	Endowments	Other Sources, per cent.				Total
		Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	House Rent	Total											
Barboursville.	C. A. Biles	250		250	205		205	45	32	32							41	35
Cassville	S. D. Bryan	300	50	350	162	50	212	138	38	28	3	1			2		10	10
Central City	A. S. Arnett	508		508	508		508		32	32			4			45	62	62
Ceredo.	E. A. Davis	480	125	605	450	125	575	30	40	40	2		1			50	65	65
Coalburg	George E. Fuller	458	42	500	286	60	346	154	44	35	4	1	3		3	45	47	47
Coal River	T. C. Exline	300	25	325	175	25	200	125	33	33	2	1		2	3		15	15
Dingess	J. E. Pullen	150		150	40		40	110	10	7							5	5
Dunlow	E. M. Cochran	200		200	212		212	28	28	28				1	1		7	7
East Hamlin	J. E. Holly	150		150	30		30	120	24	20							5	5
Fairfield	S. M. Day	550	60	610	550	60	610	50	50	50	5	5	0	6	15	55	52	52
Guyandotte	S. J. Miller	375	125	500	375	125	500	50	50	50	5	2	3		7	80	25	25
Hamlin	A. Justice	245	25	265	240	25	265		50	50	5		4		4	15	12	12
Huntington																		
" First Church	F. N. Lynch	1200	250	1450	1200	250	1450		100	85		5	15		15	250	108	108
" 7th Avenue.	D. S. Hammond	900		900	900		900		50	50	6	6	12		21	105	70	70
Milton.	W. R. Hennon	430	50	480	268	50	318	162	52	45	3	3		5	75	25	25	25
Monticello	A. J. L. Curtis	450	50	500	290	50	340	160	52	52	5		6		9	43	45	45
Oilville.	W. D. Pinson	225		225	18		18	207	40	19							2	2
Otia.	J. L. Moses	280		280	80		80	200	20	19							10	10
Sheridan	W. L. Hoon	150		150	35		35	115	24	24	1		2					
St. Alban's	J. M. Kinder	350	40	390	114	48	162	236	42	23			1	1	2		4	4
Wayne Circuit	J. B. Workman	400	50	450	400	50	450		48	48	4	4	10		10	40	43	43
Williamson	H. V. Kingsley								15								7	7
Winfield	W. S. Nicholson	500	60	560	239	60	299	261	46	46	5	1		2	2	25	15	15
Winifred	L. E. Leslie	500		500	200		200	300	45	42	5		1	2	3	65	21	21
Totals		9436	900	10336	7037	973	8015	2363	950	873	54	28	75	34	109	934	690	690

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Statistics No. 1.

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Church Membership, Bapt's.							Sunday Schools.		CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. Probationers.	No. Full Members	No. Local Preachers	No. of Deaths.	No. Child'n Bapt'd	No. adults Baptiz'd	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value.	Paid for building Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness Ch'ch prop.	Present indebtedness Church property.
Arnettsville	5	260	2	4	2	4	4	32	172	4	3000	1	1000	1000		
Blacksville	33	509	1	2	1	4	4	58	495	4	6000	1	1250	50		
Grafton	4	420		3	7	1	1	25	200	1	17000	1	3300	569	350	1334
Halleck	2	294		3			6	47	359	6	5000	1	650			18
Jollytown	32	325	1	5	3	20	5	45	325	5	4000	1	1800	75		100
Kingwood	12	230		1		2	1	19	190	1	7500	1	2500	130		
Knottsville		264		2		7	7	65	351	5	6500	1	800			
Littleton		154	2		7	10	4	39	178	3	3700	1	1000	100		
Masontown	11	265	1	2		4	4	32	140	5	4400	1	1000	675		
Monongalia		430	1	4	2	19	6	61	400	6	6900	1	2000	25		
Morgantown.	10	320	1	4	1	4	1	22	198	1	8000	1	5000	4200		800
Morgantown Circuit	35	445	3	12		30	7	66	375	1	4900	1	600	90		575
Palatine	20	265	1	4	9	12	1	17	220	1	4000	1	1375	9	6	
Palatine Circuit	35	567	3	4	1	40	7	60	400	1	6000					
Tunnelton	15	394	1	2	1	7	7	48	290	4	2850	1	800	11		50
Wadestown	22	397	2			9	5	60	207	5	5500	1	1200	250		250
Totals	230	5530	19	49	32	171	70	690	4488	65	95050	15	24275	7684	356	3127

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Statistics No. 3.

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

Name of Charge.	Name of Pastor.	Pastor's Support.						Support of P. Elders.		Support of Bishops.		Support of Conf. Claimants.			Current Expenses.			
		Claims.			Receipts.			Deficiencies	Amount apportioned	Amount paid	Amount apportioned	Amount paid	Rec. from.			Total	Church: Salary, Light, Fuel, etc.	Sunday School: Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.
		Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	House Rent	Total						Collections	Endowments	Other Sources, per cent.			
Arnettsville	J. B. Feather	450	50	500	352	50	402	98	75	75	9	4	5	4	9	25	25	
Blacksville	John Beddow	610	100	710	610	100	710		80	80	13	9	16	6	22	130	60	
Grafton	C. E. Shaw	1000	200	1200	1000	200	1200		108	108	10	10	50	10	60	135	90	
Halleck	B. L. Mercer	400	50	450	330	50	380	70	64	64	9	1	3	3	6	29	33	
Jollytown	F. M. Cain	430	120	550	430	120	550		60	60		2	5	2	7	50	33	
Kingwood	S. P. Crummett	700	150	850	650	150	800	50	83	83	10	10	21	10	28	100	31	
Knottsville	Marcellus Knotts	450	75	525	374	75	449	76	80	80		2	5	4	9	75	45	
Littleton	F. G. W. Ford	415	85	500	409	85	494	6	60	60		3	3	3	9	45	41	
Misontown	U. S. G. Carrell	413	75	488	343	75	418	70	60	50		4	5		9	35	16	
Monongalia	D. A. Friend	575	150	725	525	150	675	50	88	88		5	10		15	75	55	
Morgantown.	A. Cameron	1000	300	1300	1000	300	1300		108	108	15	15	31	10	41	300	170	
Morgantown Circuit	S. Eli Jones	600		600	570		570	30	80	80		3	18		23	108	80	
Palatine	H. B. Bowden	500	100	600	500	100	600		60	60	7	7	13	5	18	93	53	
Palatine Circuit	W. D. Carrico	400		400	213		213	187	60	60		5	8		8	50		
Tamilton	W. C. Rogers	470	75	545	375	75	450	95	64	64	5	2	10		12	13	39	
Wadestown	G. W. Bent	475	90	565	475	90	565		65	65	11	5	18	5	23	80	89	
Totals		8888	1620	10508	8156	1620	9776	732	1195	1185	122	85	222	76	298	1343	856	

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.

NAMES OF CHARGES.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.	Sunday Sch's Union	Tract Society.	Freedmen's Aid and South. Ed. Society	EDUCATION			American Bible Society.	Women's Foreign Missionary Society.	Woman's Home Missionary Society.	Episcopal Fund.	Conf. Claims.	Gen. Conf. Expenses	Other Collections.
	Church.	Sunday School.	Total					Children's Fund.	Other educational Objects.	Seminary.							
Arnettsville	14	2	16	50	1	1	1	9	1	1				9	2	2	
Blacksville	23	60	80	180	1	1	1							29	60		
Grafton	132	48	180		1	1	1		1	1				1	60		
Halleck	11	3	14					2	1	1				1	6		
Jollytown	8	2	10		1		1	1	1	1				1	4		
Kingwood	60	25	85	10	2	2	10	1	1	1		46		16	2		
Knottsville	10	5	15				1										
Littleton	9		9											3	4		
Masontown	10	1	11	1				3	3					3	4		
Monongalia	57	10	65	3	1	1					1			5	15		
Morgantown	107	43	150	15	5	2	15	4	30	15				17	41		
Morgantown Circuit	30	4	34	5	1	1	3	5	5	1				3	2		
Palatine	39	11	50	7	1	1	1	3	12	1	14			7	17		
Palatine Circuit	14		14	1	1	1	1	1	1					1	3		
Tunnelton	50		50	2				1	7		20			7	12		
Wadestown	21	39	60	1		2	3	10	30					3	23	8	
Totals	590	253	843	60	17	10	52	52	150	25	30			87	298	14	

Statistics No. 1.

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Church Membership. Bapt's.						Sunday Schools.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. Probationers.	No. Full Members	No. Lost Preach'rs	No. of Deaths.	No. Child n Bapt'd	No. adults Baptiz'd	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No of Scholars.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness Ch'ch prop.	Present Indeb'ts Church property.
Birch River.....	48	81	2		1	8				1	350					
Boone.....	6	234	1	3	1	4	6	84	300	1	100	1	300	25		
Claremont.....	12	25	1	1	4	6	4	20	150	2	4000	1	1200	260		400
Clay.....	5	20					1	8	77							
Concord.....	35	80	1	1		18				1	200			25		
Elk River.....	40	210	2	3	1	13	9	60	32	2	1800	1	350	400		
Fayette.....	1	215	5	1		4	2	12	140	3	2150	1	300	20	10	130
Flat Top.....	30	133	1	1		72				1	800			600		
Hinton.....	48	242	1	3		17	7	49	290	2	1200			200		
Logan.....	45	190	2	5		6	6	30	150	2	750	1	500	50		
Matville.....	150	302	2	1	18	13	8	68	362	5	1500				60	
Mountain Cove.....	18	262	1	2	4	21	5	42	270	3	2250	1	325	10		
Norwood.....	24	10	2	1		1	1	3	20	1	1500			150	244	
Oceana.....	98	153	5	2	12	6	2	11	6	1	800					
Ophelia.....	25	315	3	1	7	4	6	48	300	5	3500	1	300	600		
Pleasant Retreat.....	10	344	6	5		26	5	30	350	2	1600	1	500	200		60
Raleigh.....	10	125	1	2		5	2	12	50	1	1000	1	200		50	115
Summerville.....	20	474	4	9	1	16	7	60	445	5	3000	1	800	400	100	360
Tate.....	32	158	1	3	10	20	4	28	191	1	400					
Totals.....	717	3573	42	44	58	294	75	566	3485	39	25900	10	4770	2940	464	1065

Statistics No. 3.

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

Name of Charge.	Name of Pastor.	Pastor's Support.					Support of P. Elders.		Support of Bishops.		Conf. Claimants		Current Expenses.	
		Claims.		Receipts.			Deficiencies.	Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	Rec. from.		Total
		Salary	House Rent	Salary	House Rent	Total						Other Sources, per cent.	Endowments	
Birch River.....	Daniel Wilson.....	92		92	77	77	15	20	20	1				3
Boone.....	C. W. Stephen.....	210	25	235	210	235		50	48	1	1			25
Claremont.....	L. S. Carter.....	385	100	485	300	400	85	60	60	2				40
Clay.....	J. M. Grose.....	230		230	200	200	30	30	30	2	1			10
Concord.....	M. C. Reed.....	150		150	62	62	88	40	38					10
Elk River.....	Elmer C. Conaway.....	250		250	170	170	80	45	45	2	1			25
Fayette.....	G. E. Ward.....	405	25	430	300	325	105	60	60		3			10
Flat Top.....	A. M. Lambert.....	125		125	43	43	82	30	30					
Hinton.....	Logan S. Grose.....	250		250	200	200	50	40	40	2				24
Logan.....	Emory H. Given.....	50		50	35	35	15	50	50					10
Matville.....	W. W. Workman.....	325		325	140	140	185	50	50	2	1			
Mountain Cove.....	J. S. Jenkins.....	465		465	350	350	115	60	60	2	3	6	3	53
Norwood.....	G. A. Pegram.....	35	9	44	35	44		40	40					
Oceana.....	A. H. Matheny.....	400		400	300	300	100	50	50					
Ophella.....	Benj. F. Hill.....	320	25	345	260	285	60	60	56	2			4	20
Pleasant Retreat.....	F. W. Queen.....	350	25	375	275	300	75	55	55	2	2	6	3	25
Raleigh.....	J. W. Claypool.....	300	25	325	170	195	130	50	48				2	5
Sammerville.....	B. D. Mahone.....	550	50	600	450	500	100	70	70	4	4	4	8	35
Tate.....	R. G. Backus.....	200		200	150	150	50	40	40	2		2		7
Totals.....		5092	284	5376	3727	4011	1355	990	891	25	13	3	20	302

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.	Sunday Sch'y Union	Tract Society.	Freedmen's Aid and South. Ed. Society	EDUCATION.			Other Collections.
	Church.	Sunday School.	Total					Children's Fund.	Other educational Objects. Seminary.	American Bible Society.	
Birch River.....	3	3	6	1				1			
Boone.....	3	3	6								
Claremont.....	10	10	20	1			1	1			
Clay.....	1	1	2	1							
Concord.....	1	1	2	1							
Elk River.....	7	7	14	1			1	3			
Fayette.....	5	1	6	1				3			
Flat Top.....	1	1	2								
Hinton.....	10	10	20	2				2			
Logan.....											
Matville.....	2	2	4					1			
Mountain Cove.....	17	3	20	2	1	1		5			
Norwood.....											
Oceana.....											
Ophelia.....	25	25	50	3				2			
Pleasant Retreat.....	10	10	20	4	1	1	1				
Raleigh.....	4	4	8								
Summerville.....	14	6	20	2	1	1	1	1			
Tate.....	8		8					1			
Totals.....	108	17	125	19	3	3	4	8	10		

Statistics No. 1.

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Church Membership.			Bapt's.		Sunday Schools.				CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. Probationers.	No. Full Members.	No. Loc'l Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. Child'n Bapt'd.	No. adults Baptiz'd.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness Ch'ch prop.	Present indebtedness Church property.
Aubrightsville	28	280	1	1	4	15	4	94	303	3	5000	1	3500	100	.....	100
Aurora	20	300	1	2	1	12	2	45	276	3	4000	1	1200	1010	.....	1300
Brandonville	4	233	.....	10	.....	6	4	35	172	4	2300	1	500	20	60	.....
Bruceton Mills	39	380	.....	3	13	34	4	18	200	5	5000	.....	.....	40	.....	.....
Bayard	15	108	.....	1	13	5	4	40	225	2	2200	1	800	300	213	250
Blaine	14	263	2	3	17	15	7	51	203	5	3600	.....	.....	1235	.....	.....
Cransville	24	224	1	3	6	17	4	39	120	3	1800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Deer Park	44	318	3	9	14	5	7	45	425	2	1800	.....	.....	.....	275	250
Davis	7	148	.....	1	5	.....	1	16	200	1	2000	1	2000	95	.....	116
Etam	61	301	.....	3	10	2	7	66	212	5	2100	1	500	97	96	900
Evansville	60	374	.....	5	6	2	7	71	347	6	5000	1	700	125	.....	.....
Friendsville	6	317	2	6	2	4	1	85	450	6	5000	1	1300	.....	.....	200
Grantsville	14	220	.....	4	10	3	5	41	199	4	6000	1	1000	79	66	209
Newburg	10	291	1	1	2	21	3	34	260	2	3500	1	800	25	.....	.....
Oakland	47	347	1	2	2	4	2	30	325	1	8000	1	2500	400	.....	.....
Rowlesburg	12	200	.....	1	2	1	2	35	215	2	3000	1	700	15	.....	.....
Red Creek	12	87	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	10	106	1	125	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Parsons	23	86	1	.....	14	9	3	29	202	.....	2600	1	700	10	30	12
Sinclair	12	301	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	28	278	.....	2500	1	300	65	.....	.....
Salisbury	18	114	1	1	.....	2	1	11	57	1	1900	.....	.....	.....	100	440
Terra Alta	3	220	.....	2	5	1	1	15	194	1	2000	1	1000	45	75	30
Totals	473	4952	17	63	141	160	90	792	4922	69	69425	15	14950	3661	615	3807

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

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Statistics No. 3.

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

Name of Charge.	Name of Pastor.	Pastor's Support.						Deficiencies.	Support of P. Elders.		Support of Bishops.		Conf. Claimants			Current Expenses.		
		Claims.			Receipts.				Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	Collections.	Endowments.	Other Sources, per cent.	Total.	Church: Session, Light, Fuel, etc.	Sunday School: Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.
		Salary.	House Rent.	Total.	Salary.	House Rent.	Total.											
Albrightsville	C. W. Cox	420	50	470	347	50	397	73	50	50	5	3	8	2	10	65	39	
Aurora	J. L. B. Jones	445	65	510	460	65	525	48	48	48	4	2	10	4	14			
Brandonville	D. B. Orr	400	60	460	370	60	430	30	48	46	5	3	6	4	10	50	20	
Bruceton Mills	C. E. Feather	400	50	450	370	50	420	30	45	45	5	1	4	4	50	49		
Bayard	J. H. Enlow	500	125	625	500	125	625	42	42	42	5	5	12	5	17	75	100	
Blaine	J. H. Koch	358		358	336		336	22	42	42	5	3	6	5	11	30	60	
Cranesville	E. P. Idleman	275		275	230		230	45	40	40	4	3	7	5	9	6	16	
Deer Park	G. W. White, supply	400		400	350		350	50	44	30	5	2	9	12	20	42		
Davis	C. W. Upton	800	150	950	525	150	675	275	54	54	10	5	10	5	15	200	75	
Etam	E. C. Bedford	282	36	316	190	36	226	90	34	34	5	1	8	2	10	35	18	
Evansville	J. N. Sharp	400	25	425	380	25	405	20	68	62	8	4	10	4	14	25	56	
Friendsville	E. R. Skidmore	500	50	550	466	50	516	34	64	64	8	6	13	5	18	73	65	
Grantsville	T. R. Faulkner	440	60	500	371	60	431	69	52	52	4	5	13	4	17	58	25	
Newburg	G. H. Williams	500	60	560	500	60	560	60	60	60	8	6	22	5	27	80	61	
Oakland	S. K. Arbuthnot	850	200	1050	850	200	1050	70	70	12	12	38	2	44	262	67		
Rowlesburg	A. D. Perry	500	100	600	500	100	600	45	45	5	5	10	27	15	90	65		
Red Creek	A. L. Simmons, supply	125		125	52		52	73	28	28	3	1	3	3		4	49	
Parsons	H. E. Friend	330	75	405	330	75	405	40	40	40	5	2	4	3	7	25	30	
Sinclair	B. B. Brooks	400	30	430	275	30	305	125	45	45	4	2	5	3	9	12	25	
Salisbury	Eugene Weaver, Jr	275		275	249		249	26	36	36	4	3	6	3	12	25		
Terra Alta	George C. Shaw	475	125	600	475	125	600	50	50	50	5	2	5	5	10	75	80	
Totals		9038	1261	10329	8126	1261	9387	962	1005	983	120	75	207	77	284	1271	940	

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.	Sunday Sch'l Union	Pract Society.	Freedmen's Aid and South. Ed. Society	EDUCAT'N		American Bible Society.	Women's Foreign Missionary Society
	Church,	Sunday School,	Total					Children's Fund.	Other Education- al Objects, Seminary,		
Aldrichville	17	5	22	5	1	1	1	1	6	9	3
Aurora	20	5	25	5	1	1	1	1	1	14	10
Brandonville	20		20	3	1	1	1	5	0	10	3
Bruceton Mills	16		16	3				1	3	1	4
Bayard	10	20	30	5	2	1		1	10	17	11
Blaine	24		24	2	1	1		4	17	3	9
Cranesville	30		30	2	1	1			10	15	10
Deer Park		4	10	5	2	1			5	3	12
Davis	13	34	47	2	1	1		7	5	1	15
Etam	8		10	4	1	1		2	1	1	10
Evansville	120	5	125	2	1	1		2	8	1	4
Friendsville	30	20	50	4	1	1		5	12	6	18
Grantsville	34	5	39	5	2	2		5	11	4	17
Newburg	23	27	50	6	2	2		3	8	2	27
Oakland	106	50	156	9	3	3		9	10	43	11
Rowlesburg	20	15	35	3	1	1		1	4	2	15
Red Creek	0	1	7		1	1		3	1		1
Parsons	13	5	20	2	1	1		2			3
Sinclair	10		10	1	1	1		1	5		7
Salisbury	23		22	3	1	1		2	1		3
Terra Alta	23	0	30	3	1	1		1	5	5	16
Totals	574	204	778	73	26	23		54	48	170	31
										139	1
											75
											284
											20

Statistics No. 1.

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Church Membership.					Bapt's.			Sunday Schools.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. Probationers.	No. Full Members	No. Lost Preach'rs	No. of Deaths.	No. Child n Bapt'd	No. adults Baptiz'd	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value.	Cost of building Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness Ch'ch prop.	Present indebtedness Church property.		
Belleville	10	400	2	4	35	2	2	64	461	6	6000	1	1000	700	450			
Big Bend		60		1				5	60	2	1000							
Cairo	22	114			3			12	150	2	2100						30	
Centerville	20	238	4	2		15		31	60	4	2400	1	1000					
Elizabeth	12	27	4	4		8		37	250	4	4500	1	1200					
Ellenboro	12	434		11	35	5		65	383	2	7000	1	1200	500	10	145		
Harrisville	05	410	2	4	45	5		51	432	5	8000	1	400	250				
Middlebourne		140		4				21	130		2500	1	500	100				
Newark	40	174		6		11		48	292	5	3000	1	200	30				
North Parkersburg	6	120		1	3	4		25	130	4	2500			12				
Parkersburg	11	495	1	6	4	6	1	35	490	1	40000	1	5000		500			
" Elberon	30	90	4	1	12	1		16	200	1	4000				100	850		
" Circuit	38	484		3	22	6		74	440	6	5200	1	1200	200			40	
Pennsboro	22	186	1	2		4		48	325	4	3500			818			20	
Pleasants	6	250		2	3	12		30	280	2	1000							
Pursley	5	240	2		10	5		25	150	5	3500							
St. Mary's	35	201				7	5	47	231	4	4900	1	1600	198	403	1040		
Shiloh	8	293	1	11	22	7		50	261	8	6700	1	500	224	52			
Sistersville	5	153		3	3	9	1	17	175	1	2500			200				
Smithville	14	313		4	3	22	5	50	322	6	5500	1	400	2500	100			
South Parkersburg	2	120		6	3	2		40	200	5	6000				50	600		
Volcano	20	300	1	2	10	57	6	53	293	5	3000	1	300	50				
West Union	14	118	3		13	2		20	140	2	3000	1	1000	100				
Williamstown	10	237	1	2	1	25	4	28	266	4	6200			980		860		
Total	331	5320	31	85	34	338	93	901	5983	102	133700	14	15500	4812	1665	3585		

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

Name of Charge.	Name of Pastor.	Pastor's Support.						Support of P. Elders.		Support of Bishops.		Conf. Claimants Rec. from.		Current Expenses	
		Claims.			Receipts.			Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	Collections.	Endowments.	Total.	Sunday School: Lesson Leaves, Books, etc. Church: Session, Light, Fuel, etc.
		Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	House Rent	Total								
Belleville	A. D. Adams	550	60	610	518	60	578	32	70	59	12	5	5	10	
Big Bend.	R. Power, supply	100		100	60		60	40	20	15					
Cairo	Ossie D. King	390	48	348	242	48	290	106	40	40	5	5	10	12	70
Centerville	P. Z. Musgrave	465	37	500	381	35	416	84	70	70	4	10	14	14	7
Elizabeth	J. H. Funk	400	50	450	240	50	290	160	60	49	6	3	7	10	12
Ellenboro	F. M. Malcolm	475	50	525	425	50	475	50	70	70	6	3	15	19	100
Harrisville	C. Warman	600	50	650	475	50	525	125	90	78	15	2	15	20	14
Middlebourne	J. M. Warden	500	50	550	500	50	550		60	60	7	2	20	25	40
Newark	L. D. Ashby	390	50	440	335	50	385	24	55	50	7	6	7	11	39
North Parkersburg	Marion Taylor	150		150	100		100	50	33	30	4	2	3	5	
Parkersburg	W. S. Winans, Jr.	1800	400	2200	1800	400	2200	180	180	20	20	50	18	74	80
" Elbron	George E. Morris	400	55	455	300	55	355	100	40	35	4	2	4	7	50
" Circuit	W. G. Smith	625	75	700	585	75	660	40	92	16	16	30	6	36	125
Pennsboro	Walker Patton, supply	300		300	282		282	18	46	40	4	3	6	9	90
Pleasants	D. W. Smith, supply	300	25	325	208	25	233	92	40	40	5	2	3	3	15
Pursley	F. P. Dunbar	400		400	350		350	50	50	48		4	2	4	25
St. Mary's	A. W. Ownby	650	75	725	550	75	625	100	70	61	8	4	12	17	90
Shiloh	T. F. Arnold	500	50	550	514	50	564		80	80	10	5	5	10	54
Sistersville	G. Bleakley	850		850	850		850		65	65	8	8	20	28	70
Smithville	D. W. Ruble	477	50	525	400	50	450	75	70	65	7	7		4	26
South Parkersburg	William Hunter	600		600	417		417	183	60	35	7	4	2	6	40
Volcano	T. H. Bunting	60	25	85	575	25	600	25	65	65	6	5	3	8	35
West Union	W. E. Lovett	470	130	600	440	130	570	80	55	55	8	2	8	13	60
Williamstown	P. C. Mays	600		600	600		600		70	70	7	4	10	10	60
Totals		12470	1278	13748	11109	1278	12378	1334	1545	1455	105	120	255	353	1164

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.												
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.	Sunday School Union	Tract Society.	Brethren's Aid and South. Ed. Society	EDUCATION				Episcopal Fund.	Gen. Conf. Expenses
	Church,	Sunday School,	Total					Children's Fund.	Other Education at Objects, Seminary.	American Bible Society.	Women's Foreign Missionary Society	Women's Home Missionary Society.	
Belleville	20		20	2	1			1				2	10
Big Bend	1		1										
Cairo	10		10		1	2		2				2	12
Centerville	35		35	6	1	1		3	11			2	14
Elizabeth	8	8	16		1	1	1		10			2	10
Ellenboro	24	6	30					3				2	19
Harrisville	38	8	46	3	1	1	2	2	20	5		2	20
Middlebourne	50	10	60	7	2	2	6	5	27	6		2	25
Newark	25	3	28	4	1		3	12	9			6	11
North Parkersburg	15		15	1				2				2	5
Parkersburg	428	162	590	26	3	3	26			30	72	20	74
" Elberon	11	14	25	1	1	1	1	1	5			2	7
" Circuit	150	80	230	20	3	3	15	1	30	4	4	16	36
Pennsboro	5	5	10		1	1		3	4			3	9
Pleasants	6		6									2	3
Pursley	10		10	1					4			4	4
St. Mary's	30	10	40	5	1	1	4	3	15			4	17
Shiloh	30	5	35	2	1	1	1		10	1	1	4	10
Sistersville	46	30	76	8	2	2	2		28	8		2	28
Smithville	10	5	15	5				1	10			2	4
South Parkersburg	18		18	2	2		2		3			4	6
Volcano	16		16	1	1		1				1	5	1
West Union	8	5	13					2		2	1	5	8
Williamstown	17	23	40	4	1	1	4	5	12			4	13
Total	1005	374	1379	92	24	20	76	58	194	59	78	6	333

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WHEELING DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Church Membership.				Bapt's.		Sunday Schools.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. Probationers.	No. Full Members	No. Loc'l Preach'rs	No. of Deaths.	No. Child'n Bapt'd	No. adults Baptiz'd	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No of Scholars.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value.	Paid for building Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness Church prop.	Present indebtedness Church property.
Benwood.....	10	250	2	2	10	32	1	22	225	1	10000	1	3000	90	1295	6129
Cameron.....	2	297	1	1	2	20	2	26	205	2	16000	1	2000	320	40	.....
Dallas.....	3	257	1	4	2	2	2	19	100	2	4300	1	800	10	.....	76
Fulton.....	17	96	1	1	23	9	2	20	125	2	3500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marshall.....	30	312	1	1	6	20	4	50	280	4	4000	1	1000	.....	.....	.....
McMechen.....	50	.....	1	1	10	1	1	12	135	1	.....	.....	.....	100	.....	240
Moundsville.....	15	678	1	1	14	1	1	50	450	1	15000	1	5000	400	300	75
Moundsville Circuit.....	11	400	2	1	12	14	6	90	365	7	9000	.....	.....	50	.....	.....
New Martinsville.....	4	126	1	1	1	1	1	18	125	1	2000	1	2500	14	511	1178
New Martinsville Circuit.....	40	360	2	9	.....	.....	11	75	525	5	3500	.....	.....	350	.....	.....
Pleasant Valley.....	.....	260	1	4	5	8	5	56	230	5	5000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Short Creek and Liberty.....	4	191	1	1	11	4	2	25	225	2	10000	1	700	33	.....	.....
Silver Hill.....	32	500	1	7	45	7	7	86	372	7	5600	1	1000	50	241	147
Triadelphia.....	7	160	1	2	14	8	1	22	163	1	3000	1	1000	85	.....	.....
Wheeling.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chapline Street.....	.....	384	1	4	27	10	1	29	275	1	8000	1	3000	150	152	700
Fourth Street.....	27	618	1	6	20	10	1	32	250	1	60000	1	12000	4000	.....	.....
North Street.....	3	258	1	2	79	10	1	33	325	1	13000	1	5000	.....	.....	200
Thomson.....	1	270	1	1	10	1	1	31	300	1	20000	1	5000	100	1589	5700
Wesley.....	21	392	1	1	24	1	1	30	363	1	10000	.....	.....	.....	2310	850
Zane Street.....	3	283	1	1	26	1	1	21	328	1	14000	1	4000	.....	924	790
Totals.....	284	5938	17	61	280	222	52	706	5200	47	218900	14	46000	5831	7310	16145

WHEELING DISTRICT.

Name of Charge.	Name of Pastor.	Pastor's Support.			Support of P. Elders.		Support of Bishops.		Conf. Claimants		Current Expenses.	
		Claims.		Total	Receipts.		Delinquents	Amount apportioned	Amount paid	Amount apportioned	Amount paid	Rec. from:
		Salary	House Rent		Salary	House Rent						Other Sources, per cent.
Barnwood	J. S. Robinson	700	250	850	700	150	850	40	45	4	2	10
Carmou	J. W. Kepler	800	150	950	800	150	950	60	66	10	10	20
Dallas	J. W. Rider	500	75	575	392	75	467	108	76	73	2	11
Fulton	Edward E. King	407	95	500	407	93	500	21	21	2	5	10
Marshall	C. H. J. King	600	100	700	503	100	603	97	75	67	2	17
McNeichen	W. T. Helms	550		550	232		232	31	24			2
Moundsville	Charles E. Clark	1200	210	1410	1200	210	1410	115	115	21	25	75
" Circuit	A. E. Baraes	673		673	573		573	13	82	74	13	28
New Martinsville	William Anderson	600	200	800	600	200	800	41	41	4	4	13
" Circuit	I. A. Hatt	500	75	575	400	75	475	100	40	40	1	3
Pleasant Valley	D. Phillips	500		500	480		480	75	55	42	5	10
Short Crk & Liberty	J. H. Lakin	600	100	700	600	100	700	73	73	12	4	20
Silver Hill	D. F. Carlier	525	50	575	525	50	575	57	57	4	4	2
Triadelphia	Spencer King	500	100	600	500	100	600	52	52	4	4	5
Wheeling												
Chapline Street	J. A. Denton	900	200	1100	900	200	1100	85	85	16	5	50
Fourth Street	A. B. Riker	2150	750	3000	2250	750	3000	280	280	40	40	175
North Street	C. B. Johnson	1000	240	1240	1000	240	1240	65	65	14	10	20
Thomson	A. D. T. Bickley	1200	400	1600	1200	400	1600	100	96	20	7	48
Wesley	W. Roberts	850	140	1000	850	140	1000	48	48	7	13	13
Zane Street	J. J. Trippett	810	250	1060	810	250	1060	50	50		1	8
Totals		15731	3317	19048	14928	3317	18245	798	1534	1417	188	147
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												1832

WHEELING DISTRICT.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

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NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.																
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.	Sunday Sch'l Union	Tract Society.	Freedmen's Aid and South. Ed. Society	EDUCAT'N			American Bible Society.	Women's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society.	Episcopal Fund.	Conf. Claimants.	Gen. Conf. Expenses	Other Collections.
	Church,	Sunday School,	Total					Other Education—Sabbath-Schoolary.	Children's Fund.	Other Objects.							
Benwood.....	10	18	28	2	1	2	3	4	9	10			2	10		45	
Cameron.....	60	40	100	4	1	1	4	6					10	32			
Dallas.....	11	4	15	1	1	1							2	5			
Fulton.....	13	2	15	1	1	1		4		1			2				
Marshall.....	30		38	2	1	1	2						2				
McMechen.....	6		6										25	7			
Moundsville.....	60	300	360	25	5	5		29		14	152		13	34			
Moundsville Circuit.....	71	12	84	1	1	1	6	11	16	2	1	1	4	15			
New Martinsville.....	6	40	46	5	1	1	6	3	30				1	3			
New Martinsville Circuit.....		12	15	2			2	3					2	10		4	
Pleasant Valley.....	35	10	45			1	1	8					7	25			
Short Creek and Liberty.....	30	23	51	6	2	2	6	7		1	30		2	20			
Silver Hill.....	55		55	1	1	1	7						4	5			
Triadelphia.....	32		40	2	1	1					20						
Wheeling.....													5	50			
Chapline Street.....	35	80	115	37	2	2	15	10	5				40	175		214	
Fourth Street.....	370	40	770	45	10	10	57	30	114	30	250		10	20			
North Street.....		80	80	5	1	1	5		8		7	15	7	48		150	
Thomson.....	83	5	141	12	4	5	11	11	10		12		4				
Wesley.....	25	23	52	1	1	1	6	6	6		43		1				
Zane Street.....	20	18	38	1													
Totals.....	952	1142	2094	170	32	36	139	122	208	68	581	16	147	539		420	

RECAPITULATION.

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RECAPITULATION.

Name of Charge.	Pastor's Support.						Support of		Support of		Conf. Claimants			Current Expenses.		
	Claims.			Receipts.			P. Elders.	Bishops.	Rec. from.	Total	Other Sources, per cent.	Sunday School: Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.	Church: Fuel, Light, Rent, etc.			
	Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	House Rent	Total								Deficiencies		
Bucknannon	11930	1238	13168	10220	1177	11400	1854	1367	1333	140	100	233	57	320	1275	1047
Charleston	980	1196	11004	818	118	9367	1679	1129	1057	9	39	78	00	138	1135	1153
Clarksburg	8383	1376	9759	7305	1370	8681	1078	1058	976	87	63	18	55	248	912	628
Huntington	9406	900	10366	7037	978	8017	2363	950	873	54	28	75	34	109	934	890
Morgantown	888	1620	10508	8150	1620	9770	732	1195	1185	122	85	222	76	298	1343	656
New River	5092	284	5376	3727	284	4011	1365	900	891	27	1	30	26	56	223	300
Oakland	9068	1261	10329	8120	1261	9387	965	1005	983	120	75	207	77	284	1271	940
Parkersburg	12470	1278	13748	11106	1278	12378	1384	1545	1452	165	120	253	100	353	1717	1164
Wheeling	15731	3317	19048	14928	3317	18245	798	1594	1417	188	147	490	50	111	660	2458
Total this year	90779	12528	103307	78788	12477	91265	12198	10713	10172	996	670	1785	50	626	2461	15247
Total last year	84374	11702	96077	75596	11527	87080	9180	9811	9310	924	648	1805	2	400	2207	14917
Increase	6405	826	7230	3192	950	4185	3018	902	862	72	22		48	226	254	330
Decrease												20				1347

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RECAPITULATION.

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MINUTES OF THE WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.														
	MISSIONS.		Board of Church Extension.	Sunday Sch'l Union	Pract Society.	Freedmen's Aid and South. Ed. Society	EDUCATION		American Bible Society.	Women's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society.	Episcopal Fund.	Conf. Claiments.	Gen. Conf. Expenses	Other Collections.
	Church,	Sunday School,					Children's Fund.	Other Educational- al Objects, Seminary.							
Buckhannon	169	156	1149	129	52	56	16	70	297	28	8	2	36	320	47
Charleston	190	189	379	36	5	4	13	45	59	31			35	138	6
Clarksburg	45	143	600	62	19	15	42	107	165	19	1		63	243	1
Huntington	320	150	476	43	11	8	18	20	68	8	95		31	108	20
Morgantown	590	253	843	66	15	13	52	52	150	25	80		87	298	14
New River	10	17	125	19	3	3	4	8	19				13	56	2
Oakland	57	204	773	73	26	23	54	48	170	31	133	1	75	284	26
Parkersburg	100	374	1379	92	24	20	76	58	194	59	75	6	120	353	15
Wheeling	95	1142	2094	170	35	30	138	129	208	68	581	16	147	536	420
Total this year	5181	2638	7823	693	170	155	474	537	1330	266	982	25	670	2336	131
Total last year	5200	2254	7454	675	141	136	506	557	1544	263	921	335	648	2034	416
Increase		384	269	18	29	19				6	61		22	302	111
Decrease	19						32	20	214		310			285	

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Supernumerary and Superannuated Preachers.

SUPERNUMERARIES.

No	NAME.	POSTOFFICE	COUNTY	STATE	CHARGE.
1	K L Woodyard	Parkersburg	Wood	West Virginia	Valley Mills
2	J C Morris	Buckhannon	Upshur	" "	Buckhannon
3	C E Woodruff	Terra Alta	Preston	" "	Terra Alta
4	Levi Cross	Evansville	"	" "	Evansville
5	L D Tamblin	Palatine	Marion	" "	Palatine
6	L T Westfall	Duffy	Lewis	" "	Duffy
7	Delorane Upton	.....	.....	" "	.....
8	Joseph S Jenkins	.....	.....	" "	.....
9	D B Orr	Wallace	Harrison	" "	Lumberport
10	J A Fullerton	Mt Lake Park	Garrett	Maryland	Oakland
11	N H Prince	Carthage	.....	Missouri	Carthage

SUPERANNUATES.

	Name.	Postoffice.	County.	State.	Charge.
1	Gideon Martin	Fairmont	Marion	West Virginia	Fairmont
2	R L Welch	Gladesville	Preston	" "	Halleck
3	W J Sharp	Buckhannon	Upshur	" "	Buckhannon
4	J T Carroll	Charleston	Kanawha	" "	Charleston
5	Benjamin Hager	"	"	" "	"
6	Vanlindon Lanford	"	"	" "	"
7	Benjamin Darlington	Jarrett	"	" "	.....
8	Moore McNeel	Smithville	Ritchies	" "	Smithville
9	John Conwell	Palatine	Marion	" "	Palatine
10	B F Rogers	"	"	" "	"
11	Asby Stevens	"	"	" "	"
12	W D Carrico	"	"	" "	Palatine Circuit
13	A T Morriston	Lowdeil	Wood	" "	.....
14	William Wriston	Mossey	Fayette	" "	Fayetteville
15	Geo W Matheney	Buckhannon	Upshur	" "	Buckhannon
16	T S Davis	Addison	Webster	" "	Addison
17	T H Hammond	Adamston	Harrison	" "	Adamston
18	W H Shaw	Rt Pleasant	Mason	" "	Pt Pleasant
19	W W Kelley	Parkersburg	Wood	" "	Parkersburg Crt
20	Thomas Cotton	"	"	" "	Parkersburg 1st Ch
21	U Pribble	"	"	" "	Parkersburg
22	I B Feather	Lenox	Preston	" "	.....
23	T R Faulkner	.....	.....	" "	.....
24	A A Nichols	.....	Garrett	Kansas	.....
25	Benjamin Ison	Oakland	Webster	Maryland	Oakland
26	J J Dolliver	Fort Dodge	.....	Iowa	Fort Dodge
27	John Birkett	Holton	.....	Kansas	Holton
28	J L Clark	Terrantum	.....	Pennsylvania	Terrantum

Honour Widows, that are Widows Indeed.---I. Tim. 5:3.

	Name.	Postoffice.	County.	State.
1	Ella Irwin	Fairmont	Marion	West Virginia
2	Eunice C Bolton	"	"	" "
3	Sarah F Blundon	Charleston	Kanawha	" "
4	Eliza J Richmond	Viola	Marshall	" "
5	Selina Monroe	Point Pleasant	Mason	" "
6	Laura Heatherly	Round Bottom	Wayne	" "
7	Jane Parriott	Cameron	Marshall	" "
8	J E Beckley	Falls, Twelve Pole	Wayne	" "
9	I Laughlin	Buckhannon	Upshur	" "
10	Victoria Steel	"	"	" "
11	Priscilla M Hess	Smithville	Ritchie	" "
12	O W Smith	Malden	Kanawha	" "
13	Elizabeth Trainer	Morgantown	Monongalia	" "
14	Dorothy Crossfield	Berkley Springs	Morgan	" "
15	Rebecca J Dawson	Ellenboro	Ritchie	" "
16	Jemima Rexroad	Evansville	Preston	" "
17	Catharine Hitchens	Moundsville	Marshall	" "
18	Mrs L L Stewart	"	"	" "
19	Mary Wallace	Clarksburg	Harrison	" "
20	Charlotte Brooks	Duffy	Lewis	" "
21	Dora M Boylin	Roanoke	"	" "
22	Celilia L White	Fairmont	Marion	" "
23	Ruama Northcraft	Smithville	Ritchie	" "
24	Mrs Sarah Justice	Daville	Iogan	" "
25	Susan Burns	Dayton	Montgomery	Ohio
26	Mary C Heaston	Connaton	Harrison	"
27	Anna M Curtis	Cleveland	Cuyahoga	"
28	Minnie A Copeland	Delaware	Delaware	"
29	Sidney Weaver	Bridgeton	Cumberland	New Jersey
30	P B Owan	Schenevus	.....	New York

CONFERENCE ROLL.

EFFECTIVE ELDERS.

1	Arbuthnot, S K	65	King, E D W
2	Arnett, A S	66	King, E E
3	Ash, D L	67	King, W B
4	Arnold, J F	68	Knoits, M
5	Anderson, William	69	Kelly, A A
6	Alley, G W	70	Lakin, C H
7	Ashby, L D	71	Letherby, C E
8	Bumgardner, N L	72	Lovett, W E
9	Barnes, A E	73	Leslie, L E
10	Bleakley, G	74	Lynch, F N
11	Bent, P L	75	Lee, Joseph
12	Bent, G W	76	Lyda, A J
13	Bickley, F T D	77	Mahone, B D
14	Bedford, J W	78	Mays, P C
15	Beddow, John	79	Mick, Asbury
16	Bowden, H B	80	McCutchen, W S
17	Bunting, T H	81	Meadows, E L
18	Bolton, John	82	Moore, Archibald
19	Chidester, T W	83	Malcom, F M
20	Cotton, S J	84	Meredith, C B
21	Cottrel, F	85	Meredith, T G
22	Clark, C E	86	Merrells, A
23	Carder, D F	87	Marple, O U
24	Carter, L S	88	Miller, S J
25	Crummett, S P	89	Marteny, John
26	Coffield, I N	90	Nicholson, W S
27	Curtis, A J L	91	Nanna, V A
28	Cox, C W	92	Owby, A W
29	Cain, F M	93	Perry, A D
30	Cameron, A	94	Poling, C
31	Carroll J W	95	Phillips, O C
32	Carroll, U S G	96	Queen, F W
33	Claypool, J W	97	Richmond, T
34	Conaway, E C	98	Rider, M W
35	Denton, D A	99	Riker, A B
36	Dunbar, F P	100	Riffe, H K
37	Davis, E A	101	Robinson, J S
38	Day, T M	102	Roberts, L W
39	Engle, J	103	Rogers, W C
40	Evans, B B	104	Rogers, G
41	Enlow, J H	105	Rohrbough, A B
42	Ford, F G W	106	Ruble, D W
43	Friend, D A	107	Resseger, L E
44	Friend, H E	108	Sanford, H C
45	Funk, J H	109	Sharp, J N
46	Graham, C B	110	Shackelford, C R
47	Grimes, G W	111	Shaw, G C
48	Griggs, J M	112	Shaw, C E
49	Gunn, W B	113	Skidmore, E R
50	Hess, John H	114	Smith, W G
51	Hammond, D L	115	Smith, G D
52	Hunter, William	116	Strader, J C
53	Hennon, W R	117	Scott, H
54	Hutchinson, B W	118	Taylor, M
55	Hammond, W H	119	Trippett, C J
56	Harkness, W J	120	Talbott, M
57	Hiatt, J A	121	Townsend, F S
58	Holt, J H	122	Upton, C W
59	Johnson, N B	123	Warden, J M
60	Jones, S E	124	Warman, C
61	Jordan, L H	125	Ward, G E
62	Kepler, Geo W	126	Ward, R B
63	King, Spencer	127	White, J J
64	King, F H J	128	Williams, G H
		129	Wilson, T W
		130	Workman, J B

FIRST YEAR ON TRIAL.

1	George A Shahan
2	William W Burton
3	Gilbert R Williamson
4	Orlando A Kelley
5	William H Mahon
6	William M Kinsley
7	Herman V Kinsley
8	Addison M Grimes
9	Thomes H Shannon
10	William L Baize
11	John S Harvey
12	Merton E Goodrich
13	Rufus F Farley
14	Benjamin T Howell
15	Hiram L Poling
16	William D Reed
17	James B Wood, ard
18	Charles W Stephen
19	Alfred L Ireland
20	William E Craig

SECOND YEAR ON TRIAL.

1	William Fallen
2	Pinkney L Musgrave
3	George E Fuller
4	Gratten U Bals ey
5	Forbes B Davis
6	John F McClure
7	Perry H Hawk
8	Daniel Westfall
9	Benjamin F Hill
10	Arthur W Chambers
11	William A Haggerty

DEACONS.

FIRST CLASS AND IN STUDIES OF THIRD YEAR.

1	Jesse H Koch
2	Charles Hely Malony
3	Bertram L Mercer
4	Rufus G Barcus
5	Eugene Weaver, Jr
6	Henry C Howard
7	Elias C Bedford
8	Ossie D King
9	Perry D Fisher
10	Theophilus McCoy
11	Edward P Idleman
12	John L B Jones
13	Benson B Brooks
14	William G Loyd

DEACONS.

SECOND CLASS AND IN STUDIES OF FOURTH YEAR.

1	James W Engle
2	Charles E Feather
3	William W Worman
4	James M Kinder
5	Addison D Garrett
6	Logan S Grose
7	George E Morris
8	Waltman T W Sleeth
9	Henry M Strader

SESSIONS

OF THE

WEST VIRGINIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

N ^o .	Year	Time	Place	Bishop	Secretaries
1	1848	July 4	Wheeling	Hamlin	Charles Cooke
2	1849	October 5	Clarksburg	Wagh	Alexander Martin
3	1850	June 5	Parkersburg	Janes	" "
4	1851	June 4	Charleston	Morris	" "
5	1852	June 10	Morgantown	Simpson	" "
6	1853	June 8	Weston	Baker	" "
7	1854	May 30	Fairmont	Scott	" "
8	1855	May 31	Wheeling	Morris	" "
9	1856	June 12	Buckhannon	Ames	S. R. Dawson
10	1857	April 16	Moundsville	Simpson	" "
11	1858	April 15	Charleston	Ames	" "
12	1859	April 20	Parkersburg	Morris	" "
13	1860	March 14	Morgantown	Scott	" "
14	1861	March 13	Wheeling	Baker	Samuel Steele
15	1862	March 12	Parkersburg	Scott	" "
16	1863	March 18	Fairmont	Morris	Alexander Martin
17	1864	March 16	Parkersburg	Morris	" "
18	1865	March 8	Wheeling	Janes	" "
19	1866	March 21	Morgantown	Clark	" "
20	1867	March 14	Catlettsburg, Ky.	Thomson	" "
21	1868	March 11	Moundsville	Kingsley	Samuel Steele
22	1869	March 11	Clarksburg	Ames	Alexander Martin
23	1870	March 10	Charleston	Thomson	J. L. Clark
24	1871	March 9	Parkersburg	Clark	" "
25	1872	March 6	Wheeling	Simpson	" "
26	1873	March 5	Guyandotte	Andrews	" "
27	1874	March 11	Fairmont	Scott	" "
28	1875	March 3	Point Pleasant	Bowman	" "
29	1876	March 15	Wheeling	Harris	" "
30	1877	March 11	Grafton	Ames	" "
31	1877	October 4	Charlestown	Scott	" "
32	1878	October 10	Parkersburg	Harris	G. C. Wilding
33	1879	October 1	Morgantown	Simpson	Same
34	1880	October 14	Huntington	Peck	Same
35	1881	October 5	Moundsville	Foster	Same
36	1882	October 4	Clarksburg	Andrews	Same
37	1883	October 10	Wheeling	Harris	Same
38	1884	October 1	Buckhannon	Walden	Same
39	1885	September 24	Charleston	Merrill	W. G. Riheldaffer
40	1886	September 23	Morgantown	Mallalieu	Same
41	1887	October 6	Parkersburg	Bowman	Same
42	1888	September 26	Fairmont	Foster	Same
43	1889	September 18	Point Pleasant	Joyce	Same
44	1890	October 2	Weston	Foss	Same
45	1891	September 30	Wheeling	Warren	Same
46	1892	September 21	Huntington	Bowman	Same
47	1893	September 20	Grafton	Fitzgerald	T. E. Galway
48	1894	September 12	Charleston	Foster	J. Engle
49	1895	September 18	Buckhannon	Merrill	Same
50	1896	September 16	Moundsville	Hurst	Same
51	1897	September 29	Morgantown	Mallalieu	Same

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Committee for Admission on Trial.

C. B. Graham.—Larger Catechism, Scripture History, Disci-
pline, Sermons, Doctrinal Aspects of Christian Experience.

C. E. Shaw.—History of American Methodism, Leading facts
of American History, English and American Literature, Essays.

W. G. Smith.—Elementary English Branches, Syllabi, Life of Wesley.

FIRST YEAR.

F. S. Townsend.—Harman's Introduction, Outlines of Universal History, Exegetical Study in English, New Testament, Essays.

H. Scott.—Plain Account of Christian Perfection, Principles of Rhetoric, Syllabi.

L. N. Coffield.—Systematic Theology, Vol. I., Theory and practice of Extemporaneous Preaching, Sermons.

SECOND YEAR.

D. W. Ruble.—Outlines of Universal History, Discipline of the M. E. Church, Syllabi.

E. D. Hanna.—Exegesis in Pauline Epistles and English, New Testament, Logic, Sermons.

D. G. Smith.—Harman's Introduction, Systematic Theology Vol. II., Essays.

THIRD YEAR.

William Anderson.—Biblical Hermeneutics, Exegetical Studies in the Pentateuch and Isaiah, Syllabi.

W. J. Harkness.—Elements of Psychology, Sermons, Essays.

J. W. Claypool.—The Supernatural Book, History of the Christian Church Vol. I.

FOURTH YEAR.

Dr. A. Cameron.—Exegetical Studies in Isaiah, Pentateuch and Isaiah.

A. S. Arnett.—History of Christian Church Vol. II., Manual of Christian Evidence, Syllabi.

S. K. Arbuthnot.—Butler's Analogy, Sermons.

S. J. Miller.—Theological Encyclopaedia and Methodology, Essays.

For Orders.—Local Deacons and Local Elders; D. L. Ash, A. Mick.

Whenever studies occur in regular course candidates will be examined with regular classes.

Boards of Church Location.

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To Preach Conference Sermon:

George C. Shaw. Alternate, D. L. Ash.

To Preach Missionary Sermon:

J. W. Claypool. Alternate, J. B. Workman.

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Certificate of Ordination.

This certifies that I have this day ordained the following Brethren Deacons in the Church of God: Elias C. Bedford, Ossie D. King, Henry C. Howard, Eugene Weaver, Jr., Bertram L. Mercer, Rufus G. Backus, Perry D. Fisher, Theophilus McCoy, A. A. Matheny, W. R. Morton, Albert Engle, Merton E. Goodrich, A. L. Simmons, Zachariah T. Scantlin, W. W. Burton, Geo. A. Shahan, Lafayette Kidd, Addison M. Grimes, Thomas H. Shannon, William Barze, and assisted by several Elders, I have this day ordained the following Elders in the Church of God: Luther D. Ashby, John O. Bolton, Samuel M. Day, Omar U. Marple, Jefferson B. Workman, Lewis L. Carter, John Marteny.

Done at Morgantown, W. Va., October 3, 1897.

WILLARD F. MALLALIEU.

List of Standing Committees.

1. PUBLIC WORSHIP.—D L Ash, A Cameron, John Beddow, S E Jones.

2. BOARD OF STEWARDS.—C B Meredith, J J White, Cyrus Poling, W S Nicholson, S E Jones, F W Queen, C W Upton, W E Lovett, B N Crooks (Lay.), F H J King.

3. MISSIONS.—G D Smith, R B Ward, B D Mahone.

4. EDUCATION.—B W Hutchinson, A B Riker, G W Grimes, S J Miller, A Cameron, J W Carroll, C W Cox, F S Townsend, C E Clark.

5. CHURCH EXTENSION.—O U Marple, E A Davis, Thos G.

Meredith, F N Lynch, C E Shaw, L S Grose, H E Friend, C Warman, Wm Anderson.

6. PERIODICALS AND BOOK ACCOUNTS.—H M Strader, Arthur Merrills, Forbes B Davis, L S Carter, John Beddow, L S Grose, G W Kepler, M W Rider.

7. FREEDMAN'S AID AND S. E. SOCIETY.—W T W Sleath, H Scott, N B Johnson, S M Day, U S G Carroll, J M Grose, J H Sharp, G Bleakely, J S Robinson.

8. CONFERENCE MINUTE FUND.—G U Balsley, H K Riffe, J F McClure, G E Fuller, W C Rogers, M C Reed, E R Skidmore, J H Funk, E E King.

9. PUBLISHING CONFERENCE JOURNAL.—Secretaries.

10. MEMOIRS.—W J Sharpes, C R Shackelford, N B Johnson, L D Bryan, J B Feather, S K Arbuthnot, T H Bunting, S J Cotton.

11. OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH.—J C Strader, W H Hammond, W R Hennen, J B Workman, G H Williams, J S Jenkins, D B Orr, J M Warden, E D Hanna.

12. PARSONAGE AND FURNITURE.—James W Engle, L E Leslie, H C Sanford, F M Cain, M Knotts, R G Backus, A W Ownby, Spencer King.

13. SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND TRACTS.—J A Marteny, E C Withers, Theophilus McCoy, S M Day, B L Mercer, J J Reynolds, J A Hiatt, D W Ruple.

14. BIBLE CAUSE.—Geo E Ward, E L Meddows, Marion Taylor, L D Bryan, A E Barnes, C W Stephen, A D Adams, O C Phillips.

15. TEMPERANCE.—T W Chidester, W J Holt, L N Coffield, S J Miller, F G W Ford, W W Workman, J H Enlow, A B Rohrbough, C H Lakin.

16. EPWORTH LEAGUE.—Asbury Mick, C H Malony, W B King, H C Howard, H B Bowden, E C Conaway, Geo C Shaw, D A Denton, B B Evans.

17. LOANS FROM EDUCATIONAL FUNDS.—B W Hutchinson, A J Lyda, E D W King, F N Lynch, S P Crummit, W G Smith, L W Roberts

18. PRESIDING ELDERS' ACCOUNTS.—P C Mays, Geo W Alley, A D Garrett, J B Workman, G W Bent, F W Queen, T R Faulkner, Geo E Morris, A A Kelley.

19. CONFERENCE RELATIONS.—P L Bent, C J Trippett, Taylor Richmond, A J L Curtis, G W Bent, J W Claypool, A S Arnett, J F Arnold, C B Graham.

20. EPISCOPAL FUND.—Fred Cottrill, D A Friend, F M Cain, C F Hill, F P Dunbar.

21. DISTRICT CONFERENCE JOURNAL.—C E Leatherby, W T McCutcheon, D A Friend, H C Howard, C E Shaw, A D Perry, L D Ashby, D F Carder.

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First Day.

MORGANTOWN, W. VA., Sept., 29, 1897.

OPENING.—At 9:30 o'clock D. L. Ash, P. E., of Morgantown District, announced the hymn, "And Are We Yet Alive!" N. L. Baumgardner offered a fervent prayer, and J. Engle read the Scripture Lesson, 61st chapter Isaiah; thus opened the fifty-first session of the West Virginia Annual Conference.

SACRAMENT.—Bishop W. F. Mallalieu announced Hymn 211, after which he conducted a very impressive sacramental service.

Hon. Waitman T. Willey was introduced and made an address replete with grand thoughts and setting forth to the ministers a most hearty welcome to Morgantown.

The Bishop in a most fitting manner responded on the part of Conference.

ROLL CALL.—Secretary J. Engle called the roll and 158 brethren responded to their names. On motion of C. B. Graham Brother Engle was nominated and re-elected secretary by acclamation, and granted the privilege of naming his assistants. He nominated and the Conference elected as his assistants, S. K. Arbutnot and C. B. Graham. S. J. Miller was elected Journal Secretary.

STATISTICAL SECRETARY AND ASSISTANTS.—S. P. Crummett was re-elected statistical secretary with the privilege of nominating his assistants, who were elected by the Conference as follows: J. C. Strader, A. A. Kelley, Wm. Anderson, F. M. Cain, and J. C. Howard.

CONFERENCE TREASURER AND ASSISTANTS.—L. W. Roberts was re-elected Conference Treasurer, and named for his as-

sistants: E. D. W. King, C. Poling, A. S. Arnett, and Thos. G. Meredith.

DRAFTS PRESENTED.—Bishop Mallalieu presentsd three drafts to the Conference, from the Clark bequest, \$25; from the Chartered Fund, \$22; from Conference Share of Dividend of Book Concern, \$1241. These drafts on motion were passed to the Conference Board of Stewards.

TIME OF SESSION FIXED.—The hour fixed for commencing the Conference Sessions was 8 A. M., and for closing the same 11:45 A. M.

The class of the first year and their examiners were excused from further attendance on the morning session.

The list of Standing Committees were read by the secretary and announcements were made.

INTRODUCTION.—Rev. C. W. Smith, D. D., editor of the Pittsburg "Christian Advocate," was introduced and addressed the Conference in the interest of our Church Literature generally and the paper he so ably edits, particularly.

Some further announcements were made and a few alterations in the list of the Standing Committees were announced.

C. H. Malony was elected assistant treasurer of the West Virginia Conference for the American University Fund.

C. B. Graham enquired whether brethren from other churches inquiring for admission into our Conference should appear before the examining committee for admission on trial.

It was ordered that all such persons should appear before this committee as well as the Committee on General Qualifications.

ORDER OF THE DAY.—Thursday, Sept., 30th, at 11 A. M. was made the Order of the Day to hear the report from the Board of Visitors to the West Virginia Conference Seminary, and to listen to an address from President Hutchinson concerning this Institution of our Conference.

Bishop Mallalieu made some remarks relative to his Second Presidency of the Conference, and the general spiritual good of the present Conference Session.

C. B. Graham was appointed to preside at the afternoon

session at 2 o'clock.

The Doxology was sung and the Benediction pronounced by Dr. J. L. Clark.

Afternoon Session.

At 2 P. M. C. B. Graham called the Conference to order. The devotional exercises of an opening Hymn, prayer by A. Mick, and another Hymn.

The list of charges were called and the pastors handed in their various reports.

On motion of A. Moore the date of the Missionary Anniversary was changed from Friday evening to Thursday evening.

B. B. Evans moved that special prayer be offered for A. B. Riker and M. Knotts, who are detained at their homes by sickness, and that the secretary be requested to inform these brethren of this action of the Conference. The motion prevailed.

Announcements were made and in accordance with the motion above, prayer was offered for our afflicted brethren by Dr. J. L. Clark.

Doxology was sung and Benediction pronounced by C. W. Upton.

Second Day.

THURSDAY, Sept. 30, 1897.

DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.—At 8 A. M. Bishop Mallalien conducted a very spiritual devotional service, an important part of which, was the altar service.

Promptly at 9 A. M. the business session of the Conference began with the Bishop in the chair.

Journal Approved.—The Minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

Secretary Engle made an announcement concerning a daily paper giving the reports of the conference.

A. A. Kelly, Conference Agent for Gospel in all Lands and other Missionary Publications nominated as his Assistant, E. L. Meadows, who was elected by the Conference.

The Thirteenth Disciplinary Question, "Was the Character of each preacher examined," was taken up, and the names of the

Presiding Elders, J. H. Hess, D. S. Hammond, J. Engle, J. W. Bedford, D. L. Ash and L. H. Jordon, their characters passed and they submitted reports of their respective districts.

INTRODUCTIONS.—The Secretary of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society, Dr. C. B. Mason was introduced and addressed the Conference in the interests of this society.

Dr. T. P. Marsh, President of Mount Union College, was presented to the Conference and spoke concerning the school he represents. At the conclusion of Dr. Marsh's address, a resolution was introduced by S. J. Miller, commendatory of Dr. Marsh and Mt. Union College, which was adopted. (See Resolution.)

Dr. G. P. Main, one of the agents of the Book Concern, was next introduced and addressed the Conference.

ORDER OF THE DAY.—On motion the order of the day—Hearing the Report of the Board of Visitors to the Conference Seminary and the address of President Hutchinson. This was postponed until to-morrow to be called up at the most convenient time.

THE THIRTEENTH QUESTION CONTINUED.—The thirteenth question was resumed and the names of N. L. Baumgardner, Joseph Lee and A. Moore were called, their characters passed and they reported their districts.

PRESENTATION.—When N. L. Baumgardner finished his report, S. K. Arbutnot on behalf of the preachers of Oakland District presented him with a handsome Bible, as a testimonial of the high esteem in which Bro. Baumgardner is held by the preachers of the Districts. Bro. Baumgardner responded with brief but fitting words.

On motion of A. Moore, the name of C. S. Allemong was entered under Disciplinary Question — 18—"Who have withdrawn."

Announcements were made, the Secretary called the list of Committees, the Doxology was sung, the benediction was pronounced by Dr. A. J. Lyda.

Third Day.

DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.

Dr. Geo. C. Wilding conducted the morning devotions, which were very spiritual and in connection with these services deliv-

ered an address, "Why our Pastor did not Succeed." He concluded the services of the hour with a very precious Altar service.

The Bishop took the chair at 9 A. M. the minutes of Thursday's session, were read and approved.

C. Warman, chairman, of the Board of Visitors to the West Virginia Conference Seminary, read the report of the Board, and President B. W. Hutchinson addressed the Conference telling of the good work being done in the Seminary.

INTRODUCTIONS AND ADDRESSES.

Dean M. D. Buell, D. D., of Boston Theological School, was introduced and addressed the Conference concerning the importance of the higher education, dwelling especially upon the necessity of young ministers receiving theological training. The Secretary here read a report from the General Book Committee, after which Bro. Johnson of the Western Book Concern, addressed the Conference concerning this report.

The report of the Board of Conference Seminary Visitors was adopted. (See Report.)

The President of Ohio Wesleyan University, Rev. J. W. Bashford, Ph. D., and Rev. T. I. McRea, of the East Ohio Conference, Rev. Ross Ward, pastor of the Baptist church, City, Rev. A. M. Buchanan, pastor of the Presbyterian church, City, and F. S. Townsend, A. M., transfer from New York, East Conference were introduced.

The Conference stood and sang Hymn No. 248, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Rev. A. J. Palmer, D. D., one of the Missionary Secretaries, was introduced and addressed the Conference. Dr. Palmer called for volunteers who would agree to raise \$20.00 each for the cancelling of the Missionary Debt, provided 10,000 such volunteers could be secured. Bro. C. B. Graham was appointed to enroll those volunteering.

Dr. Palmer then continued his address.

Dr. Bashford also spoke briefly concerning the interests of the Ohio Wesleyan University.

The Secretary read a resolution requesting the Bishop to inquire of the Presiding Elders whether they knew of any ministers in their Districts who had violated their vow, in regard to the

Year. A. L. Ireland was continued in the class of the First Year.

FOURTH YEAR'S CLASS.—The names of the members of the Fourth Year's Class were called, their Presiding Elders represented them, they reported their collections, the Registrar announced their grades of examination and the following were graduated from the course of study and elected to Elders Orders: L. D. Ashby, J. O. Bolton, S. M. Day, Omar U. Marple, J. B. Workman, L. S. Carter, and John Marteney.

C. E. Feather was continued in the studies of the Fourth Year, as was W. W. Workman and J. M. Kinder, and credited in studies passed.

THIRD YEAR'S CLASS.—The class of the Third Year was called, the Presiding Elders represented the different members, who reported their collections, the grades of examination were announced and the following were advanced to the class of the Fourth Year: J. W. Engle, A. D. Garrett, L. S. Grose, G. E. Morris, W. T. W. Sleeth, and H. M. Strader.

A. D. Garrett is to bring up studies in which deficient, as is W. T. W. Sleeth.

E. P. Idleman and J. L. B. Jones were continued in the class of the Third Year, but credited in studies passed.

B. B. Brooks was also continued in the class of the Third Year.

INTRODUCTION AND ADDRESS.—Rev. W. A. Spencer, D. D., Corresponding Secretary of the Church Extension Society, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

PRESENTATION.—John Beddow on behalf of the preachers of Morgantown District, in a very happy speech, presented D. L. Ash retiring Presiding Elder, a beautiful copy of the Standard Dictionary. Bro. Ash feelingly and fittingly responded.

A. Cameron, chairman of the Board of Examiners, moved that the West Virginia Annual Conference respectfully request the Board of Bishops, if consistent with their plans, to open the succeeding sessions of our Conference on Thursday instead of Wednesday as heretofore. Two days, Tuesday and Wednesday prior to the opening of the Conference to be de-

voted to the work of examinations.

F. S. Townsend, A. Mick and D. L. Ash were added to the Board of Examiners.

Dr. J. F. Fullerton's character was passed and his name was ordered to be placed on the Supernumerary List.

FOURTH QUESTION WHO HAVE BEEN RECEIVED ON TRIAL.—The names of the members of the class for admission on trial were called. they were represented by their Presiding Elders, the papers recommending them for admission were announced by the Secretary, the Registrar reported their grades of examination, the Board of General Qualification for Admission reported in each case and the following were admitted on trial: George A. Shahan, Gilbert R. Williamson, Wm. W. Burton, Orlando A. Kelley, Wm. H. Mahan, Wm. M. Kinsley, Heunon V. Kingsley, Addison M. Grimes, Thomas H. Shannon, Wm. L. Barze, John S. Harvey, and Merton E. Goodrich.

The case of Rufus F. Farley and Benjamin F. Howell were deferred until Monday.

On motion it was ordered that when we adjourn it be to meet at 3 o'clock instead of 4:30 P. M. and that the Memorial Service be included as a part of the afternoon session.

On motion of C. B. Graham the work and duties of the Committee of General Qualifications shall be combined with the work of the Committee on Conference Relations and this joint committee shall be known as the Committee on General Qualifications and Conference Relations.

Announcements were made, Doxology was sung and Benediction was pronounced by Thomas Cotton.

Shortly after three o'clock D. L. Ash by appointment of the Bishop took the chair and began the Memorial Service by announcing Hymn 997, "Blest be the Tie that Binds." Dr. Ison offered a fervent prayer. The Bishop came in and occupied the chair and announced a verse of Hymn, "Rock of Ages."

W. J. Sharpes, Chairman of the Committee on Memoirs, read a short Biographical sketch of Sister Martin. (See Memoir.)

D. L. Ash read a memoir of Alexander Justice. (Which see.)

The Memoir of Sister Baumgardner was read by S. J. Cotton,

and W. J. Sharpes read a memoir of Sister Morris and Sister Alley.

A letter referring to the death of Sister Benedum was announced by the Secretary.

John Beddow was requested to prepare a memoir of Sister Chidester.

BUSINESS SESSION--A. M. Grimes, Thos. H. Shannon, and Wm L. Baize were elected to Deacon's Orders under the Missionary Rule.

LOCAL DEACONS--George A. Shahan, Lafyette Kidd, A. H. Matheny, R. W. Morton, Albert Engle, Merton E. Goodrich, Andrew L. Simmons, Zechariah T. Scanlin and Wm. W. Burton were represented by their respective Presiding Elders, the Committee on examination reporting in each case, and they were elected to Local Deacon's Orders.

SECOND YEAR'S CLASS:--The names of the members of the class of the Second year were called, their Presiding Elders represented them and made their reports. The Bishop called them before the Altar Rail, the Congregation stood and sang, "A Charge to Keep I have," and F. H. J. King led in prayer.

The Bishop after an impressive and deeply spiritual address propounded the usual Disciplinary Questions. And the following were advanced to the class of the Third year elected to Deacon's Orders and elected to full membership in the Conference. E. C. Bedford, O. D. King, H. C. Howard, Eugene Weaver, B. L. Mercer, R. G. Backus and Perry D. Fisher, Theophilus McCoy, J. H. Koch and C. H. Molony being already Deacons, were admitted into full connection in the Conference and advanced to the class of the Third year.

Wm. Fuller, P. H. Hawk and B. F. Hill, were credited with studies passed but continued on trial in the class of the Second year.

W. H. Haggerty was continued in the same class as was G. U. Balsley.

W. G. Lloyd was passed in the studies of the Second year and elected to Deacon's Orders and left without an appointment to attend one of our schools

A. W. Chambers was left without an appointment to attend

one of our schools and continued in the class of the Second year.

S J Miller reported his collections. On motion, which prevailed, the pending motion, relating to the consolidation of the Committees on General Qualifications and Conference Relations, was made the Order of the Day, after the reading of the minutes on Monday. Announcements were made. Pulpit supplies for Sunday Services were announced. The Bishop made some interesting and Spiritual Remarks concerning these services. The Doxology was sung the Benediction was pronounced by Dr. Spencer.

Fifth Day.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE.—Dr. Geo. C. Wilding conducted the morning devotions, and undertook to answer the questions which had been asked him, concerning the work of a pastor. At the conclusion of the devotional services, the Bishop conducted a very spiritual pentecostal service. This was so blessed that it overran the time of the business session of the Conference.

BUSINESS SESSION.—At 9:15 the Bishop called for order and the Secretary read the minutes of the previous sessions, which were corrected and approved. The pending motion, relating to the combination of the Committee on General Qualifications and Conference Relations was adopted.

CONFERENCE CAMP MEETING.—In the absence of A. B. Riker, F. N. Lynch addressed the Conference concerning the West Virginia Conference Camp Meeting and Chautauqua Association. A. B. Riker, J. M. Grose, L. H. Jordan, W. G. Smith and F. W. Lynch were elected to fill vacancies in the Board of Trustees.

F. T. D. Bickley offered a Resolution which was adopted concerning a proposed Sanatorium, to be located in "Look-out Park"—Asbury Heights, (See Resolution).

Dr. G. C. Wilding by request addressed the Conference upon the Camp Meeting and Chautauqua Enterprise.

C. B. Graham presented on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Camp Meeting Association the proposition of certain

persons, who desired to organize and conduct the Sanatarium referred to above.

Dr. Longstreth was introduced and spoke further concerning the proposed Sanatarium.

C. B. Graham offered a Resolution which became Resolution No. 1 of F. T. D. Bickley's Resolutions, all of these Resolutions, (which see), were adopted.

THE TWENTY-SECOND QUESTION.—“Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?” was taken up. The names of the following persons were called and their characters passed: R. L. Woodyard, Gilbert Rogers, J. C. Morris, C. E. Woodruff, Levi Cross, S. D. Tamblyn, S. T. Westfall, Deloraine Upton, and N. H. Prince.

W. W. Kelley's relation was changed from Supernumerary to Superannuated.

Joseph B. Feather was granted a Superannuated relation to the Conference.

J. S. Jenkins' relation was changed from effective to Supernumerary.

D. B. Orr was also made a Supernumerary member of the Conference.

T. R. Faulkner's, U. Pribble's, and Thomas Cotton's relations were changed from effective to Superannuated.

TWENTY-THIRD QUESTION.—“Who Are the Superannuated Preachers?” was taken up and the characters of the following named brethren were passed: A. A. Nichols, G. Martin, R. S. Welch, B. Ison, J. Birkett, J. T. Carroll, B. Hager, J. J. Dolliver, J. L. Clark, Moore McNeal, John Conwell, B. F. Rogers, Asby Stephens, A. T. Morriston, V. Sanford, William Wriston, G. W. Matheny, J. T. Davis, W. H. Shaw, J. A. Hammond, B. Darlington, and W. D. Carrico.

The case of W. J. Sharps was not acted upon at this time.

The Secretary read a letter concerning N. H. Prince.

QUESTION THIRTY.—“Where shall the next Conference be held?” Grafton, W. Va., was placed in nomination by D. L. Ash, who also presented the claims of that place. R. B. Ward placed in nomination Mannington, W. Va., and represented this place before the Conference as did J. Engle.

The vote was taken and Mannington was chosen, which choice was later made unanimous.

The Conference also extended its thanks to the citizens of Grafton for their kind invitation to the Conference to meet in their town.

B. W. Hutchinson presented a Resolution appointing a committee of one minister and one layman to secure an amendment to the State Constitution so as to permit bequests being left to benevolent societies in this State. The Resolution was adopted and B. W. Hutchinson and Hon. George C. Sturgiss were appointed on this committee.

The case of Wm. B. Reed was reconsidered and on motion he was admitted on trial in the Conference.

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTION.—The constitutional question pertaining to the Ratio of Representation of ministers in the General Conference was voted upon. The result of the vote was:

In Favor of Constitutional Amendment,	-	-	-	96
Against,	-	-	-	22

RECOGNITION OF ORDERS.—R. F. Farley was recognized as a Local Elder in the Church and admitted on trial in the Conference.

B. F. Howell was recognized as a Local Deacon and received on trial.

H. M. Poling was recognized as an Elder, he was admitted on trial and excused from the course of study.

D. L. Ash read the report of the Board of Control of the Methodist Episcopal Times, which was adopted. (See Report).

By vote of the Conference the Bishop was requested to appoint D. A. Denton editor of the M. E. Times.

A Resolution requesting the Publishing Committee to reduce the price of the Pittsburg Advocate to \$1 was offered by J. B. Workman and adopted by the Conference. (See Resolution).

L. W. Roberts read the report of the Trustees of the Permanent Fund of our Conference. The report was adopted. (See Report)

W. J. Sharpes was continued on the superannuated list.

The Conference arose and sang one verse, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

A Resolution thanking Dr. G. C. Wilding for his services among us, was unanimously adopted. (See Resolution.)

A Resolution touching the educational qualification of candidates for the ministry was adopted. (See Resolution.)

The parchment of Oliver Given as a Local Deacon in the M. E. church South, was presented by Joseph Lee and recognized by the Conference.

David N. Sanders' orders as a Local Deacon were presented by L. H. Jordan and recognized by the Conference.

S. J. Miller, secretary of the committee on Education, read the report of that committee.

On motion of J. H. Hess the report was amended, at that point, wherein it speaks of the collection, so as to read, following the word collection, "Remain five per cent of the cash salary of pastor." This amendment after some discussion was adopted as was the report as a whole.

INTRODUCTION—Rev. J. W. T. Wilson of the Washington Conference, pastor of Grafton Circuit, was introduced to the conference.

N. B. Johnson was instructed to divide the Funds in his hands for the Misses Eichelberger, paying twenty dollars to B. W. Hutchinson for the elder sister and retaining twenty for the younger.

B. W. Hutchinson made explanations concerning the Conference Educational Loan Fund and the Children's Day Fund.

Joseph Lee made further statements concerning the Conference Educational Fund.

L. H. Jordan offered a Resolution, requesting increased appropriations from the Board of Church Extension for our Conference work. This resolution was adopted. (See Resolution.)

On motion of L. H. Jordan, the Conference Session was suspended, and a session of the West Virginia Conference Permanent Trust Fund was held.

H. K. List, A. J. Clark, Henry Jones, L. W. Roberts and L. H. Jordan were elected as trustees of this Fund.

The Conference Session was resumed. On motion of A. Moore,

the Secretary was instructed to purchase a book suitable for recording the grades of all undergraduates of the Conference, to be kept by the Registrar.

Announcements were made, Doxology sung, Benediction pronounced by W. J. Sharpes.

Sixth Day.

OPENING.—The devotional exercises were conducted by Bishop Mallalieu. He read a part of the 14th chapter of St. John, and after several prayers that lifted all upward to the throne of grace and the closing moments of the precious hour was spent in a glorious testimony meeting, in which the preachers told how they felt and what they expected to do.

Business session of the Conference began at 9 o'clock. Yesterday's session was read, corrected and approved. The Secretary called the roll of the Conference, and brethren who had not subscribed for the Conference Minutes did so. A collection for the Janitor was taken amounting to \$10.72.

W. S. Withers was left without appointment to attend one of our schools.

On motion G. Rogers was made effective and appointed Tract Agent for the Conference.

List of Standing Committees was read, which was nominated by the Cabinet, and the same were confirmed by the Conference.

A collection for the secretary was taken; amount was \$12.77.

President Hutchinson addressed the Conference concerning the interest of the Seminary.

On Motion of Dr. G. Martin, after reading of the Journal and list of appointments, and closing address by the Bishop, that the Conference adjourn sine die.

A preliminary report of the Board of Stewards was read by W. S. Nicholson and an announcement made where this Board would meet.

A Resolution of thanks to H. K. List for services rendered as Treasurer of the Permanent Fund was adopted.

Dr. J. L. Sooy was appointed to preside at the afternoon session. It was ordered when we adjourn to meet at 1:30 P. M. Announcements were made, Doxology sung and Benediction pronounced by Dr. J. L. Clark.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1:30 P. M. Dr. Sooy occupied the chair, a Hymn was sung and W. J. Sharpes offered prayer.

The Committee on Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society, submitted their report which was adopted. (See Report).

A report was received, revised and adopted from the Committee on Periodicals and Book Account. (See Report).

The Temperance Committee submitted its report which after some discussion, was revised and adopted. (See Report)

The Committee on Missions reported, which was adopted. (See Report).

A report from the Committee on Epworth League was read and adopted. (See Report.)

This report called for a Commission to be appointed by the Conference, to confer with a like Commission already created by the Western Virginia Conference of the M. E. church, South, to consider the advisability of a State Epworth League Convention which should unite the Epworth Leaguers of both Churches. The Commissioners appointed were: W. B. Matthews, S. K. Arbuthnot, B. B. Evans, S. E. Jones, and James Sigafoose.

The Committees on Church Extension, Parsonages and Furniture. The Observance of the Sabbath and District Conference Journals all submitted reports which were adopted by the Conference. (See Reports),

A Resolution of thanks to N. B. Johnson and H. B. Bowden for hospitalities extended to members of the Conference

in Fairmont and Palatine, was adopted by rising vote. (See Resolution.)

MOVED—That the obligation for one per cent. continue for this year and that a committee of three be appointed to present to the next session of the Conference an explicit statement concerning all matters connected with this one per cent. plan.

S. P. Crummett the Statistical Secretary and L. W. Roberts Conference Treasurer, read their reports. (Which See.)

A Resolution pertaining to the payment by the preachers of one per cent. of cash salary, was submitted to the Conference. A substitute was offered, that the one per cent. collection plan be followed this year and that a Committee of three be appointed to recommend to the next annual Conference a plan where it might be known if each preacher had paid his assessment.

The Conference elected as members of this Committee, S. K. Arbuthnot, D. A. Denton and L. W. Roberts.

F. T. D. Bickley offered resolutions of thanks to the different persons who had helped to entertain the Conference and to make the visit of the ministers a pleasant occasion. This resolution was adopted by a rising vote. (See Resolution.)

A report was read and adopted from the Committee on Presiding Elders accounts.

C. E. Leatherby offered a Resolution which was adopted, providing for the publication in the minutes of the names of appointments on circuits which were deficient on pastors salaries. (See Resolutions.)

The report of the Board of Stewards was read and adopted. And the several amounts distributed to the beneficiaries according to the report. (See report and list.)

The Bishop here took the chair. Announcements were made of the evening service.

A resolution of thanks to the presiding officer, Bishop Mallett was unanimously adopted.

A motion was made and carried requesting the Bishop to appoint W. G. Smith, Financial Agent of the West Virginia Conference Seminary.

The case of W. L. Woodyard was reconsidered and he was admitted on trial but to bring up study in which deficient next year.

PROGRAM OF CONFERENCE SERVICES.

TUESDAY, SEPT., 28TH—7:30 A. M.—Conference Sermon by Rev. F. N. Lynch.

WEDNESDAY—9:30 A. M.—Sacramental Service. Address of Welcome by Senator Willey. Response by Bishop Mallalieu. Roll Call. Organization. 2 P. M. Statistical Report. 3:30 P. M. Conference Missionary Sermon by R. B. Ward. 1:30 P. M. Anniversary of Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society. Address by Dr. Mason.

THURSDAY—8:30 A. M.—Address to Conference by Bishop Mallalieu. 9 A. M. Conference Session.

FRIDAY—8:30 A. M.—Itinerant Club Address: "Why Preachers Fail," Rev. Geo. C. Wilding, D. D. 9 A. M. Conference Session. 3:30 P. M. Addresses by F. S. Townsend, A. M., B. W. Hutchinson, Dr. J. W. Bashford. 7:30 P. M. Missionary anniversary. Address by Dr. J. W. Bashford.

SATURDAY—8:30 A. M.—"How Preachers May Succeed," Dr. Wilding. 9 A. M. Conference Session. 3:30 P. M. Memorial Service. 7:30 P. M., Church Extension Anniversary. Address by Dr. Spencer.

SUNDAY—9 A. M.—Conference Love Feast in University Chapel, led by Rev. J. B. Feather. 10:30 A. M., Sermon by Bishop Mallalieu, text 1 Cor. 1:9, in University Chapel, followed by Ordination of Deacons. 3 P. M., Sermon in Methodist Episcopal Church by Rev. Dr. Sooy, of 4th street, Wheeling, followed by Ordination of Elders. 7:30 P. M., Sermon in the church by Rev. Dr. Spencer, of the Freedman's Aid Society.

MONDAY—8:30 A. M.—Address by Dr. Wilding. 9 A. M. Conference Session. 7:30 P. M., Epworth League Meeting. Lecture by Dr. Wilding.

PROGRAMME
—OF THE—
Semi-Centennial Celebration of the W. Va. Conference Organization.
FRIDAY EVENING, OCT. 1.

7:30—Devotional Services, by Rev. C. H. Lakin.

“A Concise History of the First Session of the West Virginia Conference and the Men Who Composed It.”

Rev. A. J. Lyda, D. D.—Time, 20 Minutes.

“Early Methodism in Morgantown and Vicinity,” Presentation of a cane from Martin’s Chapel.

Ex-Senator W. T. Willey—10 Minutes.

“A Half Century’s Progress; or, The Numerical and Material Growth of the Church Within the Bounds of the Conference Since Its Organization.”

Hon. M. A. Kendall—15 Minutes.

“Reminiscences of Men and Events in West Virginia Methodism.”

Rev. Dr. G. Martin, J. L. Clark, D. D., and Rev. Dr. B. Ison—10 minutes each.

“The Future Outlook of West Virginia Methodism,”

Rev. Dr. A. B. Riker—15 Minutes.
Benediction:

OFFICIAL VISITORS.

REV. WILLARD F. MALLALIEU, LL. D.,
PRESIDING BISHOP.

REV. C. B. M. MASON, D. D.,
SEC. FREEDMAN’S AID AND SOUTHERN EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.

REV. A. J. PALMER, D. D.,
SECRETARY MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

REV. W. A. SPENCER, D.D.,
SECRETARY CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

REV. C. W. SMITH, D. D.,
EDITOR PITTSBURG CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

REV. DR. MARSH,
PRESIDENT OF MT. UNION COLLEGE.

OTHER VISITORS.

REV. GEO. C. WILDING, of Jersey City, N. J.
REV. DR. RUDISILL.

HON. M. A. KENDALL.

REV. D. H. K. DIX, D. D.

W. VA. CONFERENCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

A. B. ROHRBOUGH, PRESIDENT.

HON. G. W. ATKINSON, LL. D., VICE-PRESIDENT.

EXECUTIVE BOARD:

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B. ISON, JUDGE H. C. MCWHORTER.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

1. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conferences? Frank L. Townsend, New York East Conference; L. E. Resseger, North Dakota Conference.

2. Who have been readmitted? None.

3. Who have been received on credentials, and from what churches? Rufus F. Farley, Elder, Union Baptist; B. F. Howell, Deacon, Church of God; *A. M. Poling, Elder, United Brethren.

4. Who have been received on trial!

(a) In Studies of First Year.—George A. Shahan, William W. Burton, Gilbert R. Williamson, Orlando A. Kelley, William H. Mahan, William M. Kinsley, Herman V. Kingsley, Addison M. Grimes, Thomas H. Shannon, William L. Barze, John S. Harvey, Merton E. Goodrich, Rufus F. Farley, Benjamin F. Howell, Hiram L. Poling, William D. Reed, James B. Woodyard.

(b) In studies of third year.—None.

5. Who have been continued on trial?

(a) In studies of first year.—Charles W. Stephan, Alfred L. Ireland, William E. Craig.

(b) In studies of second year.—William Fallen, Pinkney Z. Musgrave, George E. Fuller, Gratten U. Balsley, Forbes B. Davis, John F. McClure, Perry H. Hawk, Daniel Westfall,

*Excused from studies.

Benjamin F. Hill, Arthur W. Chambers, William A. Haggerty.

(c) In studies of third year.—*William G. Loyd.

(d) In studies of fourth year.—None.

6. Who have been discontinued? John J. Reynolds.

7. Who have been admitted into full membership?

(a) Elected and ordained Deacons this year.—Bertram L. Mercer, Rufus G. Backus, Eugene Weaver, Henry C. Howard, Elias C. Bedford, Ossie D. King, Perry D. Fisher, Theophilus McCoy.

(b) Elected and ordained Deacons previously.—Jesse H. Kock, Charles Hely Maloney.

8. What members are in studies of third year?

(a) Admitted into full membership this year.—Jesse H. Kock, Charles H. Malony, Bertram L. Mercer, Rufus G. Backus, Eugene Weaver, Henry C. Howard, Elias C. Bedford, Ossie D. King, Perry D. Fisher, Theophilus McCoy.

(b) Admitted into full membership previously.—Edward P. Idleman, John L. B. Jones, Benson B. Brooks.

9. What members are in studies of fourth year? Charles E. Feather, William W. Workman, James M. Kinder, James W. Engle, Addison D. Garrett, Logan S. Grose, George E. Morris, Waitman T. W. Sleeth, Henry M. Strader.

10. What members have completed the Conference course of study?

(a) Elected and ordained Elders this year.—Luther D. Ashby, John O. Bolton, Samuel M. Day, Omar U. Marple, Jefferson B. Workman, Lewis S. Carter, John Marteny.

(b) Elected and ordained Elders previously.—None.

11. What others have been elected and ordained Deacons?

(a) As Local Preachers.—George A. Shahan, Lafayette Kidd, W. Rice Morton, H. H. Matheney, Albert Engle, Merton E. Goodrich, Andrew L. Simons, Zachariah T. Scantlin, William W. Burton.

(b) Under Missionary Rule.—Addison M. Grimes, Thos.

*Elected to Deacon's orders, to be ordained at Rock River Conference.

H. Shannon, William L. Barze.

12. What others have been elected and ordained Elders?

(a) As Local Deacons.--None.

(b) Under Missionary Rule.--None.

13. Was the character of each Preacher examined? This was strictly done, as the name of each Preacher was called in open Conference.

14. Who have been transferred, and to what Conferences? William T. Helms, Newark Conference.

15. Who have died? Alexander Justice.

16. Who have been located at their own request? G. W. Lewis.

17. Who have been located? None.

18. Who have withdrawn? C. S. Allemong.

19. Who have been permitted to withdraw under charges of complaint? None.

20. Who have been expelled? None.

21. What other personal notation should be made? Oliver Given, Deacon, M. E. Church, South; David M. Saunders, Deacon, M. E. Church, South.

22. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers? J. S. Jenkins, D. B. Orr, R. L. Woodyard, J. C. Morris, N. H. Prince, E. C. Woodruff, Levi Cross, L. D. Tamblyn, S. T. Westfall, D. Upton, J. A. Fullerton.

23. Who are the Superannuated Preachers? J. B. Feather, T. R. Faulkner, U. Pribble, Thomas Cotton, W. W. Kelly, A. A. Nichols, Gideon Martin, R. S. Welsh, Benjamin Ison, W. J. Sharps, J. T. Carroll, Benjamin Hagar, Nalindon Sanford, Benjamin Darlington, John Conwell, B. F. Rogers, Asby Stevens, W. D. Carrico, A. T. Morrison, William Wriston, G. W. Matheney, J. T. Davis, Joseph A. Hammond, W. H. Shaw, J. J. Dollever, John Birkett, J. L. Clark.

24. Who are the Triers of Appeals? T. W. Chidester, C. R. Shackelford, Taylor Richmond, W. T. Nicholson, S. E. Jones, L. D. Bryan, C. E. Clark, E. R. Skidmore, Clemar Warman.

25. What is the Statistical Report for this year? See Statistical Report.

26. What is the aggregate of the benevolent collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer? \$19,212.00.

27. What are the claims on the Conference Fund? \$6,000.

28. What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied? See Stewards Report.

29. Where are the Preachers stationed? See appointments.

30. Where shall the next Conference be held? Mannington, W. Va,

APPOINTMENTS OF THE PREACHERS.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

J. H. Hess, Presiding Elder--5.
P. O.---Buckhannon.

Name of Charge	AY	Preachers	Postoffice	County	State
Addison	2	Geo E Ward.....	Addison	Webster	W Va
Barbour	1	Levi Cross.....	Philippi	Barbour	
Belington	2	P C Mays	Belington	Barbour	
Beverly	3	J W Engle.....	Beverly.....	Randolph	
Buckhannon	3	A Mick	Buckhannon	Upshur	
Buckhannon Circuit.....	1	F H J King.....	Buckhannon	Upshur	
Cleveland	1	G Williamson	Cleveland	Webster	
Cowan	1	P H Hawk	Cowan	Webster	
Cutlipville	1	Geo J Crafts.....	Cutlip	Braxton	
Duffy	1	W T W Sleeth.....	Duffy	Lewis	
East Buckhannon	1	Martin Talbott	Buckhannon	Upshur	
Elkins	1	Geo E Morris	Elkins	Randolph	
Flatwoods	4	Fred Cottrell	Flatwoods	Braxton	
Greenburg	1	J A Marteny	Freemansburg	Lewis	
Frenchton	1	L E Resseger	Rock Cave	Upshur	
Glenville	3	J C Strader	Glenville	Gilmer.....	
Holly Grove.....	3	O U Marple	Holly Grove	Upshur	
Montrose.....	3	H M Strader	Montrose	Randolph	
Mingo	1	P W Shrader, sup.	Mingo	Randolph	
Newlon	1	N L Anderson .....	.....	Upshur	
Phillippi	2	C B Meredith	Phillippi	Barbour	
South Buckhannon	3	T W Chidester	Buckhannon	Upshur	
Sutton	5	G D Smith	Sutton	Braxton	
Ten Mile	1	Jno O Bolton	Sellers	Upshur	
Troy	1	A L Ireland	Troy	Gilmer.....	
Weston	3	J W Harkness.....	Weston	Lewis	
Weston Circuit.....	1	P L Bent	Weston	Lewis	

B W Hutchinson, president of Conference Seminary, W A Haggerty, instructor
Conference Seminary, members of Buckhannon quarterly conference.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

D S Hammond, P E--2
P O---Charleston, W. Va

Postoffice	AY	Preachers	Postoffice	County	State
Arnoldsburg.....	2	J M Kinder.....	Mount Zion.....	Calhoun	W Va
Buffalo	2	W W Burton.....	Red House	Putnam	
Charleston, State st.....	2	A B Riker	Charleston.....	Kanawha	
Charleston, Bowman	2	C R Shackelford.....	Same	Kanawha	
Charleston circuit	1	W P Guinn.....	Patrick	Kanawha	
Clendenen.....	2	W H Hammond	Clendenen.....	Kanawha	
Clifton and Mason	3	Arthur Merrels.....	Clifton	Mason	
Cottageville	2	E L Meadows	Cottageville	Jackson	
Danaville.....	1	J M Gross.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha	
Elmwood	1	W H Mahon.....	Elmwood	Kanawha	
Evans	1	O A Kelly.....	Evans	Jackson.....	
Goldtown	1	B A Mottice.....	Goldtown.....	Kanawha	
Graham	1	J W Crawford.....	Graham Mines.....	Kanawha	
Hartford City.....	1	C Hely Molony.....	Hartford city.....	Mason	
Leon	1	Z T Scantlin.....	Leon	Mason	
Malden	3	A J Lyda.....	Malden.....	Kanawha	
Mount Union.....	2	Perry D Fisher	Clarence.....	Roane.....	
Noble	1	G W Alley	Lockhart	Jackson.....	
Point Pleasant	2	W J Holt.....	Point Pleasant.....	Mason	
Ravenswood	1	C J Trippett.....	Ravenswood.....	Jackson.....	
Raymond.....	1	L E Leslie.....	Raymond.....	Putnam.....	
Reedy	1	W J McCutchen.....	Reedy	Roane.....	
Ripley.....	1	J J White	Jackson C H.....	Jackson.....	
Spencer	1	E A Davis.....	Spencer	Roane.....	
Walton	2	H K Riffe.....	Gandeville.....	Roane.....	
West Charleston.....	1	A J L Curtis	Charleston.....	Roane.....	

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

J. W. Bedford, Presiding Elder, 3.

Post Office, Milton, W. Va.

Name of Charge	✓	Preacher	Post Office	County	State
Ashton	1	T P Hensley, Sup	Ashton	Mason	W Va
Cassville	1	William Fallen	Ft Gay	Wayne	"
Central City	1	M E Goodrich	Central City	Cabell	"
Ceredo	1	W S Nicholson	Ceredo	Wayne	"
Coal River			Sup		
Coalburg			"		
Copleyville	1	W B Young	Copleyville	Wayne	W Va
Dingess	1	H P Williams	"	Mingo	"
East Hamlin	1	A C Hicks	Sup	Jenks	"
Egypt	2	A M Grimes	Egypt	Wayne	"
Fairfield	3	S M Day	Acme	Kanawha	"
Guyandotte	2	H C Howard	Guyandotte	Cabell	"
Hamlin	1	F M Queen	Hamlin	Lincoln	"
Harts Creek			Sup		
Henderson	1	B D Mahone	Veranda	Mason	"
Huntington, 1st Church	1	S K Arbuthnot	Huntington	Cabell	"
" 7th Avenue	1	H Scott	"	"	"
Hurricane	1	G W Moore	Sup		
Kanawha City			Sup		
Milton City	1	A B Shaw	Milton	Cabell	W Va
Pigeon Creek			"		
Reed	1	H A Barlow	"		
St Albans	2	B F Howell	St Albans	Kanawha	W Va
Sheridan	2	C W Holley	Sup	Sheridan	Lincoln
Stone Coal	1	J C Maddox			
Thackers	1	V Kingsley			
Wayne	5	J B Workman	Herbert	Wayne	W Va
Williamson	1	R F Farley	Williamson	Mingo	"
Winfield	1	H M Poling	Winfield	Putnam	"
Winifrede	1	B B Mottice	Sup	Winifrede	Kanawha

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

L. H. JORDON, P. E. 3.

P. O. - Fayetteville, Fayette County, W. Va

Name of Charge.	✓	Preachers	Postoffice	County	State.
Birch River		Daniel Wilson	Birch River	Nicholas	Va
Boone		Sup	Hewitt	Boone	"
Brooklyn	1	Thomas H Shannon			"
Claremont	1	William L Barze	Claremont	Fayette	"
Clay	1	William F Jenkins	Clay C H	Clay	"
Concord	1	McReed	Concord Ch.	Mercer	"
Elk River	3	E C Conaway	Osborn's Mills	Roane	"
Fayette	2	R G Backus	Kincaid	Fayette	"
Flat Top	1	Jasper E Holly	McDowell	McDowell	"
Hewitt	1	James H Carroll	Hewitt		"
Hinton	1	J D Pullin	Meadow Creek	Summers	"
Kanawha	1	Jos Fisher	Deep Water	Fayette	"
Moatville	1	Layfayette Kidd	Dry Creek	Raleigh	"
Mountain Cave	1	L D Bryan	Hico	Fayette	"
Logan	1	Jos Perry	Man	Logan	"
Nicholas	1	L S Grose	Gibbon	Nicholas	"
Norwood	1	A H Matheny	Norwood	McDowell	"
Ophelia	2	W W Workman	Ophelia	Nicholas	"
Oceana	1	C W Stephen	Oceana	Wyoming	"
Pleasant Retreat	1	J S Kinney	Pleasant Retr't	Clay	"
Raleigh	3	J W Claypool	Beckley	Raleigh	"
Summersville	1	John W Carroll	Summersville	Nicholas	"
Fate Creek	1	Elliott Shaffer	Tate Creek	Braxton	"

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

J. ENGLE, Presiding Elder, 3.

Postoffice—Fairmont, W. Va.

Name of Charge	PK	Preachers	Postoffice	County	State
Bridgeport.....	3	C Poling.....	Bridgeport.....	Harrison.....	W Va
Barnesville.....	1	L S Carter.....	Fairmont.....	Marion.....	
Clarksburg.....	2	George W Grimes.....	Clarksburg.....	Harrison.....	
Farmington.....	2	N B Johnson.....	Fairmont.....	Marion.....	
Jarvisville.....	3	D A Friend.....	Farmington.....	Marion.....	
Logansport.....	1	B B Brooks.....	Jarvisville.....	Harrison.....	
Lumberport.....	2	W R Hennon.....	Logansport.....	Marion.....	
Mannington.....	1	J A Hiatt.....	Lumberport.....	Harrison.....	
Marion.....	4	L B King.....	Mannington.....	Marion.....	
Mt Clare.....	3	L N Coffield.....	Barrackville.....	Marion.....	
Pine Grove.....	2	Taylor Richmond.....	Mt Clare.....	Harrison.....	
Pruntytown.....	2	Theophilus McCoy.....	Pine Grove.....	Wetzel.....	
Salem.....	1	J F Arnold.....	Pruntytown.....	Tyler.....	
Shinnston.....	2	Thos G Meredith.....	Salem.....	Harrison.....	
Smithton.....	1	Forbes B Davis.....	Shinnston.....	Harrison.....	
West Milford.....	1	J F McClure.....	Smithton.....	Doddridge.....	
Wilsonburg.....	1	M W Rider.....	West Milford.....	Harrison.....	
Wyatt.....	1	A D Garrett.....	Wilsonburg.....	Harrison.....	
		W B Reed.....	Wyatt.....	Harrison.....	

F M Marple left without appointment to attend one of our schools.

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

JOSEPH LEE, Presiding Elder—6.

Postoffice—Parkersburg, W. Va.

Name of Charge	PK	Preachers	Postoffice	County	State
Belleville.....	2	A D Adams.....	Bellville.....	Wood.....	W Va
Big Bend.....	1	Oliver Given, sup.....	Creston.....	Wirt.....	
Cairo.....	2	A B Rohrbaugh.....	Cairo.....	Ritchie.....	
Centerville.....	3	R Z Musgrave.....	Alma.....	Tyler.....	
Elizabeth.....	1	G E Fuller.....	Elizabeth.....	Wirt.....	
Ellenboro.....	2	Wm Hunter.....	Ellenboro.....	Ritchie.....	
Harrisville.....	5	C Warman.....	Harrisville.....	Ritchie.....	
Hebron.....	1	Jas B Woodyard.....	Hebron.....	Pleasants.....	
Middlebourne.....	1	W E Lovett.....	Middlebourne.....	Tyler.....	
Newark.....	4	L D Ashby.....	Newark.....	Wirt.....	
North Parkersburg.....	1	D W Smith, sup.....	Dallison.....	Wood.....	
Parkersburg, 1st ch.....	2	F S Townsend.....	Parkersburg.....	Wood.....	
Parkersburg, 2nd ch.....	1	G Bleakley.....	Parkersburg.....	Wood.....	
Parkersburg circuit.....	1	T H Bunting.....	Newport.....	Wood.....	
Pennsboro.....	1	T W Wilson.....	Pennsboro.....	Ritchie.....	
Pleasants.....	2	A L Simmons, sup.....	Goose Creek.....	Ritchie.....	
Pullman.....	1	O D King.....	Pullman.....	Ritchie.....	
Pursley.....	1	M Taylor.....	Pursley.....	Tyler.....	
St. Mary's.....	3	A W Ownby.....	St Marys.....	Pleasants.....	
Shiloh.....	1	F P Dunbar.....	Shiloh.....	Tyler.....	
Sistersville.....	1	H B Bowden.....	Sistersville.....	Tyler.....	
Smithville.....	1	H C Sanford.....	Smithville.....	Ritchie.....	
South Parkersburg.....	2	M F Malcolm.....	Parkersburg.....	Wood.....	
Volcano.....	1	E D W King.....	Volcano.....	Wood.....	
West Union.....	1	C W Upton.....	West Union.....	Doddridge.....	
Williamstown.....	2	G W Kepler.....	Williamstown.....	Wood.....	

D A Denton, Editor M E Times, member of Parkersburg first church quarterly conference. W G Smith, financial secretary for conference seminary, member Parkersburg second church quarterly conference.

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

S. J. Cotton, Presiding Elder, 1.

Post Office Grafton. W. Va.

Name of Charge	Yr	Preachers,	Postoffice	County	State
Arnettville	1	F M Cain	Arnettville	Monongalia	W Va
Blacksville	2	Geo H Williams	Blackville	"	"
Grafton	1	F N Lynch	Grafton	Taylor	"
Halleck	3	B L Mercer	Halleck	Preston	"
Jollytown	1	F G W Ford	Jollytown	Green	Pa
Kingwood	1	C E Shaw	Kingwood	Preston	W Va
Knottsville	2	E A Barnes	Knottsville	Taylor	"
Littleton	2	U S G Carroll	Hundred	Wetzel	"
Masontown	1	M Knotts	Masontown	Preston	"
Monongalia	1	N L Bumgardenner	Morgantown	Monongalia	"
Morgantown		Albert Cameron, S J Miller	"	"	"
"	Ct	S E Jones	"	"	"
Palatine	1	Geo C Shaw	Palatine	Marion	"
"	Ct	A A Kelley	"	"	"
Tunnelton	1	W C Rogers	Tunnelton	Preston	"
Wadestown		G W Bent	Wadestown	Monongalia	"

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

L. W. ROBERTS, Presiding Elder. 1. Postoffice—Oakland, W. Va.

Name of Charge	Yr	Churches	Postoffice	County	State
Albrightsville	1	H E Friend	Albrights	Preston	W Va
Aurora	3	J L B Jones	Aurora	"	"
Brandonville	1	Daniel Westfall	Brandonville	"	"
Bruceon Mills	4	C E Feather	Bruceon Mills	"	"
Bayard	3	J H Enlow	Bayard	"	"
Cranesville	4	E C Bedford	Cranesville	"	"
Blaine	3	J H Koch	Gormanias	"	"
Deer Park	1	J H Funk	Deer Park	Garrett	Md
Davis	2	A S Arnett	Davis	Tucker	W Va
Etam	1	Albert Engle	Etam	Preston	"
Evansville	3	J N Sharps	Evansville	"	"
Friendsville	3	E R Skidmore	Friendsville	Garrett	"
Grantsville	1	E P Idleman	Grantsville	"	"
Newburg	1	C E Leatherby	Newburg	Preston	"
Oakland	1	R B Ward	Oakland	Garrett	Md
Parsons	1	C W Cox	Parsons	Tucker	W Va
Rowlesburg	3	A D Perry	Rowlesburg	Preston	"
Horton	1	Eugene Weaver, Jr	Horton	Randolph	"
Sinclair	1	B F Hill	Sinclair	Preston	"
Terra Alta	1	J M Warden	Terra Alta	"	"

WHEELING DISTRICT.

Archibald Moore, Presiding Elder.

Name of Charge	Yr	Preachers	Postoffice	County	State
Benwood	3	J S Robinson	Benwood	Marshall	W Va
Cameron	1	John Beddow	Cameron	Same	"
Dallas	1	V A Nanna	Dallas	Same	"
Fulton	1	John S Harvey	Fulton	Ohio	"
Marshall	1	C H Lakin	Sherrard	Marshall	"
McMechen	2	Spencer King	McMechan	Marshall	"
Moundsville	1	D V Ash	Moundsville	Marshall	"
Moundsville circuit	2	D W Ruble	Same	Marshall	"
New Martinsville	2	E D Hanna	New Martinsvil	Wetzel	"
New Martinsville ct	1	William M Kinsley	Same	Same	"
Pleasant Valley	2	Pleasant Nalley	Same	Same	"
Proctor	1	John Bryson	Proctor	Same	"
Short Creek & Liberty	1	G U Balsley	West Liberty	Ohio	"
Silver Hill	3	D F Carder	Silver Hill	Wetzel	"
Tridelfia	2	O C Phillips	Tridelfia	Ohio	"
Chapline street	2	William Anderson	Wheeling	Ohio	"
Fourth street	2	J L Sooy, F T D Bickley	Same	Ohio	"
North street	2	C B Grahcm	Same	Ohio	"
Thompson church	2	C E Clark	Same	Ohio	"
Wesley church	1	S P Crummett	Same	Ohio	"
Zane Street	2	B B Evans	Same	Ohio	"

MEMOIRS.

ELIZABETH G. CHIDESTER,

Wife of Rev. T. W. Chidester of the West Virginia Conference, was born in Cumberland, Md., Jan. 20th, 1844, and died in Buckhannon, W. Va., Nov. 18th, 1896. She was the daughter of Rev. Joseph Gibson, of the Methodist Episcopal church. Sister Chidester was converted early in life, and lived a faithful and exemplary life until taken to her heavenly home. She was married to her now bereaved husband Nov. 3rd, 1870. Faithfully indeed did she perform the part of the wife of a Methodist minister until taken home. She was intelligent above the average, and wholly devoted to the work of the church and the salvation of souls, assisting her husband greatly in his work. When death came it found her ready. A little while before she breathed her last, she joined in singing, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms," keeping the time with her hand that for some time before had been helpless. Her body rests in the beautiful cemetery at Kingwood, W. Va., awaiting the resurrection of the just.

"Asleep in Jesus blessed sleep."

MRS. MARY ELLEN BAUMGARDNER.

Mrs. Mary Ellen Baumgardner, nee Hager, was born near Farmington, Fayette county, Pa., April 1, 1846. Early in her young womanhood she went to the state of Illinois, and while there became convicted of sin and sought and found Jesus Christ as her Saviour. She was baptized and joined the Methodist Episcopal church in Magnolia, Ill., May 24, 1870, and has always been an earnest and loyal member of the Church of her choice. On November 12, 1872, she was united in marriage to Rev. N. L. Baumgardner of the West Virginia Conference M. E.

church. During her last illness, Sister Baumgardner maintained to the end her patience, piety, and deep trust in Jesus. Being a great sufferer she earnestly desired to depart and be with the Lord Jesus, which is "far better." Looking forward to her heavenly home and rejoicing in spirit at the thought of a happy reunion of the severed family in that heavenly land, she cried out, "What a happy family we shall all make in heaven! Soon we shall all be there, and until you all come I shall patiently await you in that blessed place." One of her last messages was, "If it be possible for redeemed spirits to return to earth, I shall often be near you, though unseen." One little son was already in the heavenly home to meet his mother. Five motherless children and a sorrowing husband remain to mourn; but not as those who have no hope.

After a lingering and painful illness of over four months, Sister Baumgardner sweetly fell asleep in Jesus' arms, April 15, 1897, at 9 P. M. The funeral services were held in St. Paul's M. E. church, Oakland, Md., after which her body was laid to rest in the Odd Fellows cemetery, Oakland, Md., to await the resurrection of the just, while her redeemed spirit is with her Saviour.

MRS. FRANCES C. ALLEY.

Mrs. Frances C. Alley, wife of Rev. G. W. Alley of West Virginia Conference, was born July 3, 1861, and was converted at the age of 12 years, and joined the M. E. church in which she remained until translated to the church triumphant. For ten years past she suffered almost constantly and at times her sufferings were intense, but amid it all she patiently endured as seeing Him who is invisible, while her life showed forth the excellencies of Him who had called her and her path like the just shining more and more unto the perfect day. She leaves her husband and four children to mourn their loss, while she rests in her own Father's house and awaits the coming of her loved ones. Her death occurred Feb. 10, 1897.

MRS. LUCY MORRIS.

Mrs. Lucy Morris, wife of Rev. G. E. Morris, member of the West Virginia Conference, passed peacefully to her heavenly home —, 1887, of typhoid fever. The deceased was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Melrose, of Salesberry, Richie

county, W. Va. She was married to Rev. G. E. Morris, Oct. 8, 1895. The union was an unusually happy one and was blessed with one child, B. Ruth, not quite one year old. Mrs. Morris was 29 years of age. She was a faithful member of the M. E. church and very active in the work of her Master, a most estimable woman and a faithful and helpful wife and loving mother. Her untimely death was mourned by all who knew her.

REV. ALEXANDER JUSTICE.

Alexander Justice was born Aug. 5, 1869, in Washington county, Ohio. When a young man he moved with his parents to Raven Rock, Pleasants county, W. Va. He took a course in the Normal at Fairmont, after which he taught for some years in his home county. He next sought and obtained an important position in the employ of the railroad company at Wheeling, and after serving in that capacity for some time he returned to his home, and shortly afterward was converted and joined the M. E. church, and at once became an active worker for the Master. Soon after his conversion he was given license to preach, but feeling that the local grant was too narrow for his unbounded spirit, he offered himself to the West Virginia Conference and was received on trial in the fall of 1894, and was appointed to Oilville Circuit, Logan county, one of the most difficult fields in the Conference. While here he met, loved and married Miss Sarah Browning, on the 10th of Feb., 1895, and the second anniversary of their marriage was celebrated on the funeral day.

His second appointment was Hamlin, the county seat of Lincoln county, where he made many friends during his stay of one year. At the last Conference he was admitted into full connection, ordained a deacon and appointed to Palatine Circuit. He entered upon his last work with large hopes and bright prospects, for in three months of active work he had completely captivated the people as only few could have done.

After a heroic fight for life he sank on the last battle field covered with victory,—on Feb. 8, 1897.

We mourn the death of a brother so young and full of promise. After all who knows but that it was best?

The funeral services were conducted by Dev. D. L. Ash in Mt. Carmel church, after which he was laid to rest beside a sainted mother.

MRS. GIDEON MARTIN.

Elenore Baily Martin was born May 10, 1816, in what is now Taylor county, West Virginia. She was converted and united with the church in 1840. Her conversion was clear and well defined. She never faltered in her faith for a moment. She was united in marriage July 1, 1841, to the Rev. Gideon Martin, who had just closed the fourth year of his ministry in the Pittsburg Conference, and was sent with his young wife to West Milford circuit, to begin the toils and trials of an itinerant Methodist preacher's life. Sister Martin's life from the first to the last was really beautiful; she held on to the vigor and animation of her youth to the last, and inspired with the love and presence of God and a determination to be helpful to every one about her, was an attractive and notable woman throughout her long life. "The foliage that is gloomiest in its unfolding is most unsightly in its decay; and the leaves that have the richest and tenderest shade of green in April have the most perfect rainbow hues in October." So the life which is early inspired with the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, and continues to old age, as did Sister Martin, is beautiful in the beginning and continues to brighten until it goes down amid the splendors of the glorious sunset of life.

In the midst of toils and trials, she was a faithful, patient, prayerful Christian woman. To a lady friend a day or two before her death, she said: "I have no fear of death and the future; but on account of my affliction I have been depressed." She then told of a season of prayer, and said: "I now have victory complete. To her pastor she expressed the most confident peace and hope, responding to the Scripture reading and prayer with a strong, full voice. She recited with great animation the first and third stanzas of the hymn, "And Let This Feeble Body Fall," and said this hymn now had a new meaning to her, and lifting hands upward, said: "I can almost see the disembodied spirits." It was a benediction to be with her. Her husband, the Rev. Gideon Martin, D. D., eighty-one years old, two sons, Doctor Carl, of New York City, and James Stephen, of Pittsburg, and one daughter, Annie, at home with the father, are left to mourn.

WM. J. SHARPES, PRESIDENT.

N. B. JOHNSTON, SECRETARY.

Roll of the Honored Dead of the West Virginia Conference.

No.	Name.	Place of Death	Date of Death	Conference Relation at Time of Death	Age	Years in Ministry
1	George Deemer	Wayne county, W Va	October 6, 1851	Effective	28	2
2	Abraham Loughridge	Granville "	April 22, 1854	On Trial	32	1
3	Silas Burns	South Wheeling	December 25, 1854	Effective	26	3
4	William Summers	Martin's Ferry, Ohio	March 29, 1855	Superannuated	58	20
5	Eli McLaughlin	Ripley, W Va	April 3, 1855	On Trial	30	2
6	Alpheus Robe	Clinton Furnace, W Va	December 4, 1855	Effective	33	5
7	Jesse Freeland	Kingwood, "	June 6, 1856	Superannuated	40	7
8	James A Young	Near Shinnston, "	June 17, 1857	On Trial	24	1
9	Gordon Battelle	Washington, D C	August 7, 1862	Effective	47	17
10	Jacob S Patterson	Knightstown, Indiana	July 10, 1864	Superannuated	45	21
11	Paul Vandervort	Jollytown, Pennsylvania	August 26, 1865	Effective	37	10
12	William R Carroll	Near Kingwood, W Va	July 20, 1867	Superannuated	38	4
13	W D Warman	Ravenswood, "	January 19, 1868	Effective	50	7
14	Philip Green	Near Lumberport, "	January 24, 1870	Superannuated	80	44
15	Allen B Smith	Buffalo, "	May 19, 1870	Effective	45	6
16	John L Erwin	Fairmont, "	April 26, 1871	"	59	40
17	George Monroe	Point Pleasant	August 8, 1872	Superannuated	69	25
18	Edgar B Blundon	Burning Springs	March 6, 1873	Effective	37	7
19	George W Richmond	Wheeling	March 16, 1874	"	41	17
20	Thomas M Hartley	West Liberty	May 3, 1875	"	33	11
21	Michael Dowler	Marshall county	November 26, 1875	Superannuated	70	6
22	Moses Titchner	Rosemond, Illinois	May 23, 1876	Superannuated	70	38
23	Wilson Hindman	Moundsville, W Va	March 17, 1878	Effective	56	28
24	I C Blair	Fairmont	December 23, 1878	"	63	36
25	Francis M Hughes	Cameron	September 14, 1879	"	32	12
26	I C Sidebottom	Barboursville	1881	Superannuated	44	7
27	Francis Guthrie	Gallipolis, Ohio	July 7, 1881	Superannuated	80	45
28	S D Jones	Williamstown, W Va	March 21, 1881	"	75	51
29	L D Heatherly	Round Bottom, Wayne county, W Va	December 13, 1882	"	26	5
30	I G Weaver	Upland, Pennsylvania	May 19, 1883	"	48	20
31	G W Parriott	Near Cameron, W Va	November 8, 1883	Effective	49	10
32	W H Young	Middlebourne	May, 1884	"	38	14
33	David M Heason	Buckhannon	November 11, 1884	"	38	8
34	Neville C Beckley	Charleston	October 16, 1885	"	49	16
35	John S Laughlin	Deer Park, Maryland	March 7, 1886	Superannuated	41	14
36	Samuel Steele	Buckhannon, West Virginia	May 24, 1886	Effective	62	36
37	Andrew Dixon	Near Mountain Cove, W Va	February, 1886	Superannuated	80	53
38	Robert Laughlin	Greene county, Pennsylvania	January 17, 1887	"	74	40
39	Calvin Conner	Moundsville, West Virginia	December 28, 1886	"	67	36

Roll of the Honored Dead of the West Virginia Conference (Continued).

No.	Name	Place of Doath	Date of Death	Conference Relation at Time of Death	Years in Ministry
40	John C Kurtz	Deerpark, Maryland.....	April 16, 1887.....	Effective.....	36 1
41	Thomes P Ryan	Roane County, West Virginia.....	October 14, 1887.....	".....	54 14
42	John R West	Newport, Ohio.....	May 21, 1889.....	Superannuated.....	90 67
43	John W Hess	Centreville, Tyler county, W. st Va.....	October 13, 1889.....	Effective.....	56 20
44	Daniel W Smith	Malden, West Va.....	January 3, 1890.....	Superannuated.....	31 3
45	George R Copeland	Hunored	August 20, 1890.....	Effective.....	42 13
46	George Crossfield	Berkeley Springs	March 5, 1891.....	Superannuated.....	69 42
47	James W W Bolton.....	Palatine	February 19, 1891.....	Effective.....	57 34
48	Thomas H Trainer	Benwood	April 19, 1891.....	Superannuated.....	71 42
49	Samuel R Dawson.....	Ellenboro	January 28, 1892.....	Supernumerary.....	68 45
50	E H Orwen	Aberdeen, Maryland.....	August 18, 1892.....	".....	57 37
51	John C Rexroad.....	Evansville, West Va.....	September 23, 1892.....	Effective.....	49 20
52	J B Pinchen	Swan Creek, Ohio.....	April 29, 1893.....	Superannuated.....	... ..
53	John W Reger	Buckhannon, West Va.....	July 6, 1893.....	".....	... ..
54	Leon L Stewart.....	Williamstown	January 15, 1893.....	Effective.....	48 23
55	Samuel Hitchens	Morgantown	May 23, 1893.....	Supernumerary.....	53
56	W R White.....	Fairmont	November 10, 1893.....	".....	74 50
57	R M Wallace.....	Clarksburg	October 2, 1893.....	Superannuated.....	76 32
58	T E Galway	Grafton	October 13, 1893.....	Effective.....	43 10
59	John A Williams.....	Buckhannon	January 21, 1894.....	Superannuated.....	78
60	Richard Northcraft.....	Harrisville	October 28, 1894.....	".....	76
61	J T Eichelberger	St Cloud	January, 1895.....	".....	57
62	Richard L Brooks	Selbyville	September 21, 1896.....	".....	85
63	Robert Brooks	St Albans	February 14, 1895.....	".....	... ..
64	J L Boylen	Roanoke	June 23, 1895.....	Effective.....	29 4
65	D A McGinnis.....	Mole Hill	May 17, 1896.....	Superannuated.....	... 7
66	B S Benendum.....	Salem .....	.....	Superannuated.....	71 6
67	Alexander Justice	Palatine	February 8, 1897.....	Effective.....	28 3

They rest from their labors and their works do follow them.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

It is not easy to exaggerate the importance of education. It seems trite to insist upon the necessity for every man to do all he can to develop his powers. We regard it as a duty of our ministry to bring before the young people of our churches the highest standards of culture and intellectual attainment. But we must avoid the danger resulting from an imperfect development in some directions. We believe that to be the true education which leads to a symmetrical development of body, mind and spirit, and we declare our steadfast loyalty to those well-known principles of Methodism which have made the schools of our church centers of Christian influence and power as well as agencies for the promotion of intellectuality. We are glad to be able to speak well of those schools which are wholly or partly under the patronage of this Conference. Our own Conference Seminary is naturally the first of these.

Its history for the seven years of its existence has been one of great achievement. The school stands today as a great power in our own State and Conference and has acquired a fine reputation beyond their limits. Its students who go to higher institutions make records which reflect great credit upon the preparation they have received. Its moral and spiritual influences are of the best and souls are saved as well as minds trained.

We are glad to note that the attendance for the present term is larger than for any Fall Term before. We promise to the President and his able faculty our co-operation in the securing of students. We will endeavor on all our charges to turn the attention of young people to the Seminary and in every way encourage them to avail themselves of its advantages. We regard

the advancement of the interests of the Seminary as an important part of our work for the church. We recommend the continuance of the "Public Educational" collection for the benefit of the Seminary, and that it remain as last year, five per cent., on the cash salary of pastors.

The great needs of every school are students and money. The ever-increasing attendance upon the Seminary creates a need for more money in order that its usefulness may ever be advancing. The school can never do all the work it ought to do, nor reach the full development it should reach until it has a generous endowment. We think the time has come to urge this matter upon the people, both by endeavoring to secure gifts from the living and the remembrance of the Seminary by bequests in wills.

We recommend the appointments of B. W. Hutchinson as President, W. A. Haggerty as Instructor, and W. G. Smith as Financial Secretary of the Seminary.

There is no occasion for our young people to go beyond the bounds of our own Conference for any studies below the Collegiate grade or even for the lower studies of that grade. But as we earnestly desire them to secure the highest culture we would direct their attention to those institutions of our church which are able to do more for them than our own school in its present state of development.

Ohio Wesleyan University is the largest institution of collegiate rank with which our Conference has relations. We are glad to note its prosperity. It has received in the last year \$92,000 in gifts. Its moral and religious influences may be judged by the fact that while among the students who enter only forty-five per cent. are professing Christians; ninety-five per cent. of its graduating students have professed their faith in Christ. Its present students come from thirty States, and eleven Foreign countries. The more West Virginians there are among them the better we shall be pleased.

Mount Union College is continuing to do fine work for Christ and the church. We congratulate President Marsh upon the great success of his administration, and regret that his failing health necessitates his retirement. We trust that a successor will be found who will continue the record of honorable achievement by this noble Christian school.

Allegheny College is moving forward with ever increasing efficiency. New professors have been added to its faculty, new courses and departments of study opened, and new buildings erected. Its plans for the future are good and great. We extend to it our sympathies, our congratulations for its past and present, and our good wishes for its future.

We exhort our younger ministers and all candidates for our ministry to consider the advantages of a Theological Course. As a rule those ministers who have not taken this are the first to regret their failure to do so. The expenses and difficulties of taking such a course are much less than is sometimes supposed.

Drew Seminary is the nearest to us of all the Theological Schools of our Church. Charmingly located in a beautiful town which good railroad connections make almost a suburb of New York; in a region which affords its students many opportunities for self-support by supply work; with admirable buildings and library; with a faculty of marked ability and national reputation; this school offers great attractions to all desiring a complete preparation for our ministry.

The Theological School of Boston is one of the departments of a great University. It is situated in a great city which affords very large opportunities for culture, the study of social problems and practical religious work. Full tuition and rooms are given to its students. Over seventy-five of its students are supplying churches in the Conferences of the vicinity.

We gratefully recognize the help given to young people who desire an education by the Board of Education of our church. We call attention to the fact that its aid is not confined to students for the ministry, but is given to young people of both sexes who are preparing for any career of Christian usefulness. We urge all pastors to observe Childrens' Day and to insist that the collection taken on that day shall not be diverted from the treasury of the board.

VISITORS NOMINATED.

Allegheny College—D. A. Denton and S. P. Crummett.

Ohio Wesleyan University—F. T. D. Bickley and E. D. Hanna, A. M.

Baltimore Woman's College—Wm. Anderson and J. S. Robinson.

Mt. Union College—N. B. Johnson and W. J. Holt, Ph. B.

De Pauw University—G. D. Smith and A. B. Rohrbough.

Drew Seminary—S. J. Miller and R. B. Ward, Ph. B.

Boston University—G. W. Grimes and S. K. Arbuthnot, S. T. B.

Conference Seminary—S. Eli Jones, W. B. Mathews, C. J. Trippett, John Beddow, Geo. E. Morris, Frank S. Townsend, A. M., A. Merrells, K. S. Boreman, D. S. Hammond, D. D.

Trustees Ohio Wesleyan University—C. W. Lynch, Hon. M. A. Kendall.

Allegheny Board of Control—D. L. Ash, C. E. Clark, Henry Jones and Dr. Spragg.

Mt. Union College Board of Supervision—D. S. Hammond, D. D.; A. Cameron, Ph. D., and Prof. A. L. Wade.

Re-elected Board of Trustees Seminary—Hon. H. C. McWhorter, Rev. Asbury Mick, Robt. A. Reger, M. D., Rev. L. H. Jordon. To fill vacancies: Hon. T. P. Jacobs (instead of Hon. Samuel Woods, L.L. D.); Gov. George W. Atkinson, L.L. D.

B. W. HUTCHINSON, Pres.

S. J. MILLER, Secretary.

COMMITTEE ON OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH.

Your committee on Sabbath observance respectfully submit the following report:

It is with deepest gratitude to Almighty God that one day in seven has been appointed for rest from secular engagements and held for sacred use.

That there can be but one sentiment among all God-fearing people concerning the benefits and sacred obligations of a day thus set apart seems clear. Its due observance does not only benefit the Christian believer, but is also a fundamental principle of good morals and Christian civilization, while its desecration goes hand in hand with intemperance and marks the vicious and lawless in general.

We sincerely commend all those who refuse, either for gain or pleasure, to participate in the secularization of the Lord's day. Also our respect is due any and all corporations who have abolished all traffic on the Sabbath day, or reduced it to the

minimum, while on the other hand we are made sad that so many continue to secularize the day or have repealed rules for its observance for no other reasons, we fear, but mercenary purposes.

That the Lord's day may be more Scripturally and extensively observed, therefore,

Resolved, That as a body of God's servants we will use due diligence both by precept and example to secure and maintain among our people and throughout the land in general, a higher standard of conscientious observance of the Lord's day.

Resolved, That we will lift our voice and protest against all Sunday excursions for mere pleasure, whether by railroad, carriage, bicycle or otherwise. Also that we call upon Sunday schools, Epworth Leagues and other young people's societies, to diligently aid in this work.

Resolved, That as railroads and other corporations, together with some of our government departments, allow the desecration of the day by running excursions and transacting other business, the former committee, composed of A. B. Riker, A. Moore and F. N. Lynch, be reappointed to properly represent the attitude of our conference toward this great evil.

GEORGE H. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

D. B. ORR, Secretary.

EPWORTH LEAGUE COMMITTEE.

Your committee on Epworth League desires to submit the following report for your consideration:

While we realize the great importance of Epworth League work in Christianizing and evangelizing our young people and saving them to the church, we are yet sensible that the field is a broad one and that it is necessary that the future efforts of the League should be carefully adapted to the attainment of its object with as great conservation of energy as possible. But we believe that the Power which makes for good will ever strengthen the hands and inspire the hearts of the laborers in His vineyard that they may be equipped for the work he sets before them, we, therefore, recommend:

1st. That pastors, conference, district and chapter presidents, be diligent in securing the organization of a chapter at

every appointment in each circuit and station throughout the conference.

2nd. That a Junior League be organized wherever it is practicable.

3rd. Believing that good reading is a great aid to the formation and growth of Christian character, we recommend that each chapter procure and systematically read "The Epworth Reading Course," and that the members generally be encouraged to subscribe for "The Epworth Herald."

4th. As the Fourth General Conference District League will meet in Wheeling in May, 1898, and as every Epworthian in West Virginia will be expected to bear some part in the entertaining of this great convention, we consider it appropriate to mention it at this time and express the hope that each chapter make such preparation for the discharge of this duty as its abilities may warrant; and we wish to urge upon all that they make an especial effort to be present with us at that time.

5th. As a conference we heartily endorse the action of the last state convention of the Epworth League, which convened in Charleston, July 31st last, at which time two changes were made in the constitution, the one changing the meeting of the League from an annual to bi-ennial, and the second amending article seven with a provision for four vice presidents instead of two, as formerly, and a Junior superintendent. The convention further resolved, "That a commission of five be appointed by our annual conference to meet a like commission from the West Virginia Conference M. E. Church South to consider an Epworth League convention composed of representatives from both churches."

6th. We further recommend that a blank be made in the statistical report for the conference for Epworth League chapters similar to that of the Sunday School.

Respectfully submitted,

A. MICK, Chairman.

B. B. EVANS, Secretary.

PARSONAGES AND FURNITURE.

We, the committee on parsonages and furniture, recognizing the great need of a parsonage, well planned and suitably located in every charge, recommend that due care be exercised as to loca-

cation, plans and construction of parsonages and that so far as practicable a parsonage be provided for every charge, and that parsonages everywhere be furnished with suitable heavy furniture.

JAMES W. ENGLE, Chairman.

R. C. BACKUS, Secretary.

FREEDMAN'S AID AND SOUTHERN EDUCATION SOCIETY.

Your committee on Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society desire to submit the following:

It is with deepest gratitude to the great Head of the Church that we express our appreciation of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society.

We believe God has called us to work in the sunny south-land and praise his name for the success already attained by our beloved Methodism.

The increase of intelligence, the betterment of society, the creation of greater love for our American institutions, the erection of commodious church edifices, and the salvation of many souls among these long neglected people are to us evidences of the divine leadership.

We regret the fact that this benevolent institution is embarrassed by debt, and hereby pledge the hearty co-operation of the West Virginia conference in its liquidation.

In view of the wonderful possibilities opening to this strong arm of the church's benevolence, be it hereby

Resolved, That we use our utmost effort to raise in our charges the entire apportionment for this cause.

W. T. W. SLEATH, Chairman.

J. N. SHARP, Secretary.

CHURCH EXTENSION COMMITTEE.

Your committee on Church Extension desires to submit the following report:

We recognize the importance of this branch of the work of our church. As seen from reports the collections taken in our churches from the beginning until November 1, 1896, aggregated \$11953.98. To this amount our conference adds this year \$758.00—making a total of \$12711.98.

Churches within the bounds of our conference have received aid up to this date:

By donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$20527.80
By loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 7900.00
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$28427.80

For the ensuing year our conference is asked to raise the amount of \$2000.00. On approved applications our needy churches may receive \$1600.00. But the amount of aid granted must depend on the amount of collections taken and cannot exceed the proportion above indicated. Interest, therefore, in our conference should inspire us to use all diligence to secure the full amount asked for. There have been 188 churches in the bounds of our conference received aid up to this date.

We gratefully recognize the value of the loan fund, the principal of which is now nearly \$1,000,000.

Churches securing loans from it should keep faith and return loans in order that others may be helped.

We also recognize the tenure of church property as exceedingly important, and urge the Presiding Elders to examine or have examined all county records concerning such titles.

We recommend the bi-monthly publication, "Christianity in Earnest," and urge our pastors to secure subscribers necessary to furnish our laity an intelligent comprehension of the great work now being done by the "Church Extension."

We recommend for adoption the following resolutions:

(1) We heartily congratulate the Board of Church Extension and the church at large on the remarkable success of this work through a period of thirty years.

(2) That our country being new, with rapidly increasing population and unlimited resources, will continue to need church extension in the future as well as in the past, and that our church, by fostering and strengthening this work, will increase its own power to promote all kinds of Christian and benevolent activity.

(3) That we, as a conference will not be content with anything less than a full response to the call of the general committee for our share in church extension until everywhere in communities now destitute the people shall have opportunity to "enter His courts with praises."

(4) That our presiding elders be requested to apportion with care the full amount asked for church extension to the several district and pastoral charges for collection; and that availing ourselves of the helps provided by the Board, and especially "Christianity in Earnest," and "Glad Tidings," we will present this cause in all our churches and endeavor to secure at least the amount asked in accordance with the plan of the discipline.

By order of the committee.

O. W. MARPLE, Chairman.

E. A. DAVIS, Secretary.

COMMITTEE ON PERIODICALS AND BOOK ACCOUNTS.

We realize the fact that our beloved Methodism has been greatly aided in her mission to save the world by the use of growing periodical literature, and we urge the further use of the same.

The Pittsburg Christian Advocate has the chief claim upon our support. We, therefore, urge our pastors to press the claims of this paper upon our people.

The Methodist Episcopal Times we welcome, and rejoice in its growing strength and influence. We are conscious of the need of The Times, and pledge Bro. Denton our support in his efforts to maintain the same.

We welcome the Epworth Herald within our borders, and bespeak for it that hearty support which will enable the editor to make The Herald the very best.

M. W. RIDER, Chairman.

FORBES B. DAVIS, Secretary.

MISSIONARY REPORT.

The cause of missions is the paramount cause of the church of Christ. For its success is the "Travail of his soul," and for the promotion of this great interest are the toils and sacrifices of the church pledged. The call of a thousand million heathen as well as the moral conditions of the social and industrial world, demands great activity in missionary lines. Therefore, Resolved,

1st, That whereas the debt still hangs upon our missionary board as a cumbrous weight, that loyalty to duty and the

church demand we give our energies to its earliest possible liquidation. Let us pay the debt.

3rd, That we recommend the holding of district missionary conventions, wherever practicable, under the direction of the Presiding Elder for the stimulating of energy and zeal in missionary work.

4th, That it is the sense of this conference that missionary money distributed within our bounds should be mainly in reference to the strictest needs and centers of population where permanent development is likely to result; and where self support is possible, aid should be gradually withdrawn, as in such case it hinders rather than helps.

Committee:

B. D. MAHONE, Pres.

G. D. SLITH,

R. B. WARD, Sec'y.

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDING ELDERS' ACCOUNTS.

We, your committee on "Presiding Elders' Accounts" have examined them and find them correct.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. E. MORRIS, Sec'y.

P. C. MAYS.

G. W. ALLEY.

REPORT OF TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE.

In the language of our most excellent book of Discipline we declare

1st. That total abstinence from intoxicating beverages is the duty of every individual.

2nd. That the liquor traffic as a business is at once injurious, immoral and antagonistic to every interest of the church of God.

3rd. We condemn the license feature of all statutes by which money is exacted and accepted for the legal protection of an immoral traffic or business.

4. In accepting money for such a purpose the government, whether national, state, county or municipal, becomes a partner in a business, justly declared to be an enemy of both God and man.

5th. That the only proper attitude for the Christian toward the liquor traffic is that of relentless hostility, and that all members of the Christian church who enjoy the elective franchise, should so use that solemn trust as to promote the rescue of our country from the guilt and dishonor which has been brought upon it by criminal complicity with the liquor traffic.

6th. The time has fully come when all good citizens should unite for harmonious and aggressive action to the end that all legislation relating to this subject, whether municipal, state or national, should advance firmly, steadily and surely toward the complete extermination of the liquor traffic.

We adopt the declaration of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church, that "the pronounced and stupendous need of the hour to meet this enemy of everything American and Christian is an aroused church, consecrated to the extermination of this traffic."

Therefore, Resolved,

1st. That as members of the West Virginia conference, we will do all in our power to put into active operation the provisions of our discipline for the promotion of temperance and prohibition.

2d. We direct that at each annual session of our conference provision shall be made for a mass meeting to promote these interests.

3d. We hereby indorse the purposes of the American Anti-Saloon League, as set forth in its constitution, and will cheerfully co-operate with said league in its efforts to destroy the saloon and to exterminate the liquor traffic. And we recommend the appointing of C. H. Lakin and B. B. Evans as delegates, with F. G. W. Ford and T. W. Chidester as alternates to represent us in the next national convention of this league, to be held in the city of Columbus, Ohio, December —, 1897.

4th. That in harmony with other religious bodies, we change the date of our annual Temperance Day and will observe the fourth Sunday in October of each year, or some approximate day, as Temperance Sunday, in all our congregations, by preaching a sermon, or providing addresses and

other exercises suited to the promotion and inculcation of these principles.

T. W. CHIDESTER.

A. B. ROHRBAUGH, Secretary.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE JOURNALS.

We, your committee on District Conference Journals, having examined the Journals of Buckhannon, Charleston, Oakland, Huntington and Wheeling districts, find them well kept and in good condition. Signed,

C. E. LEATHERBY, President.

D. F. CARDER, Secretary.

RESOLUTION ON STATISTICS.

Whereas, When there is a deficiency in the salary of a preacher on a circuit, it frequently happens that some of the appointments have paid their apportionment in full, and our present method of reporting deficiencies makes no distinction between the appointments which meet the apportionment and those that do not; thus mysteriously associating the faithful with the unfaithful and delinquent. Therefore,

Resolved, That preachers on circuits who report a deficiency on their charges report also the appointments that fail to meet their apportionment and the amounts deficient at each place, and that the same be published as foot-notes under the tables of statistics. Signed,

J. O. BOLTON.

C. E. LEATHERBY.

COMMITTEE ON BIBLE CAUSE.

Whereas, The Bible is the revealed will of God to his creatures, man, and is the only sufficient rule of conduct, be it

Resolved, 1. That the preachers of the West Virginia conference use all diligence in studying the Bible, so that we may be better able to expound its precious truths to our people.

2. That we use due diligence in placing the bible in all the homes in our respective charges and insist upon the regular and systematic reading of the same.

3. That in consideration of the cheapness and superiority of our books as well as the fact that the profits accruing from sale of same go to the support of our superannuated preachers.

4. That we urge upon all our people the importance of buying their books of our own concerns.

G. E. WARD, Chairman.

E. L. MEADOWS, Secretary.

SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION AND TRACT SOCIETY.

Your committee on Sunday School Union and Tract Society respectfully call attention to the growth and importance of the Sunday school work in our church; embracing 31,121 schools, 360,663 officers and teachers and over 2,620,000 scholars, 126,818 of which were converted last year.

We emphasize the importance of normal classes for the better training of teachers, the use of our own lesson helps in the study of the lesson at home, and the more general use of the Bible in the Sunday school class.

We hail with delight the advent of the Home Department, whereby the aged and infirm can spend a short time each week in the study of the lesson and be enrolled as members of the school.

We suggest that each member of the conference endeavor to keep in constant touch with the interests of the Tract society, that the people may continue to be benefitted by the generous distribution of missionary and other tracts.

It is to be deplored that last year 95 charges in the West Virginia conference reported nothing for the Tract Society, and 83 charges nothing for the Sunday School Union.

We recommend that the amounts apportioned to the conference be divided among the charges and that the preachers make all possible effort to raise the amount in full.

Respectfully submitted,

THEOPHILUS MCCOY, Chairman.

E. S. WITHERS, Secretary.

Report of Board of Stewards.

Report of the Board of Stewards for the year ending September 29, 1897:

We find receipts for Conference Claimants are:

From Districts	\$2130 46
Ministers, one per cent	599 85
Interest on Permanent Fund	378 78
Chartered Fund	22 00
The Christinan and Clark Fund	25 00
Dividend of Book Concern	1241 00
Total	\$4397 09

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Widow Richmond	\$ 75 00
“ Irwin	100 00
“ Monroe	75 00
“ Weaver	100 00
“ Parriott	100 00

To Widow Heaston and Children.....	100 00
“ Steel	60 00
“ Laughlin.....	50 00
“ Kurtz and Children	50 00
“ Copeland.....	10 00
“ Orwin	25 00
“ Crossfield.....	40 00
“ Rexroad and Children.....	160 00
“ Trainer.....	50 00
“ Steward.....	75 00
“ Justice.....	40 00
“ Wallace.....	75 00
“ Hitchens	40 00
“ Northcraft	25 00
“ Boylin.....	75 00
“ Brooks.....	75 00
To Daughters of Rev. Eichelberger	40 00
To Rev. John Birkett.....	75 00
“ J. T. Carroll	150 00
“ J J Dolliver.....	50 00
“ Dr. J. L. Clark	160 00
“ John Conwell	200 00
“ Benjamin Ison.....	150 00
“ Gideon Martin	200 00
“ G. W. Matheney.....	110 00
“ Moore McNeel.....	15 00
“ Naulindon Sanford	80 00
“ Ashby Stevens	150 00
“ R S Welch.....	125 00
“ W Wriston	40 00
“ J T Davis	100 00
“ Benj. Hagar	150 00
“ A T Morriston	80 00
“ J A Hammond	100 00
“ W H Shaw	100 00
“ Darlington	175 00
“ B F Rogers.....	80 00
“ W D Carrico	125 00
To son of Rev. Young	18 00
To Rev. W J Sharps	100 00
“ W W Kelly	100 00
“ J B Feather.....	100 00
“ U Pribble.....	100 00
“ L S Carter.....	24 00
“ James Kinder.....	10 00
“ F M Cain.....	10 00
“ B B Brooks	10 00
“ F M Malcom	20 00
“ F W Queen.....	10 00
“ E C Woodruff.....	26 00
“ John J Reynolds.....	10 00

To Rev. T W Wilson 4 09

Total \$3617 09

Respectfully Submitted,

F. H. J. KING, President.

W. S. NICHOLSON, Secretary.

Report of Missionary Committee on Appropriations.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

Barbour.....	\$40 00	Cutlipsville.....	\$25 00
Beverly.....	50 00	Flatwoods.....	30 00
Beverly circuit.....	25 00	Montrose.....	30 00
Cleveland.....	30 00	Mingo.....	50 00
Cowan.....	60 00	Newlon.....	25 00
Total.....		\$391 00	

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

Arnoldsburg.....	\$30 00	Raymond.....	\$40 00
Bowman.....	90 00	Leon.....	10 00
Buffalo.....	40 00	Malden.....	50 00
Clendenen.....	40 00	Reedy.....	40 00
Danaville.....	30 00	Ripley.....	50 00
Elmwood.....	40 00	Spencer.....	55 00
Goldtown.....	25 00	Walton.....	30 00
Graham's Mines.....	34 00	West Charleston.....	40 00
		Ravenswood.....	50 00
Total.....		\$694 00	

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

Barnesville.....	\$60 00	Smithton.....	\$50 00
Marion.....	91 00	Wyatt.....	60 00
Shinnston.....	55 00		
Total.....		\$316 00	

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

Ashton.....	\$30 00	Hurricane.....	\$50 00
Cassville.....	40 00	Kanawha City.....	50 00
Coalburg.....	60 00	Milton.....	50 00
Coal River.....	25 00	Pidgeon Creek.....	50 00
Copleyville.....	30 00	Stone Coal.....	40 00
Dingess.....	100 00	Sheridan.....	30 00
East Hamlin.....	25 00	St Albans.....	50 00
Egypt.....	50 00	Thacker.....	100 00
Hamlin.....	40 00	Williamson.....	100 00
Hearts Creek.....	25 00	Winfield.....	25 00
Henderson.....	30 00		
Total.....		\$1030 00	

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

Arnettsville.....	40 00	Masontown.....	50 05
Littleton.....	96 00	Tunnelton.....	40 00
Total.....		\$226 00	

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

Birch River.....	\$40 00	Kanawha.....	\$ 55 00
Boone.....	40 00	Logan.....	40 00
Brooklyn.....	46 00	Norwood.....	78 00
Claremont.....	50 00	Oceana.....	20 00
Clay.....	50 00	Raleigh.....	75 00
Flat Top.....	44 00	Tate Creek.....	40 00
Hewitt.....	40 00	Nicholas.....	46 00
Hinton.....	44 00	District.....	100 00
Total.....		\$808 00	

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

Albrightsville.....	\$50 00	Parsons.....	\$50 00
Aurora.....	30 00	Rowlesburg.....	40 00
Brandonville.....	40 00	Horton.....	150 00
Cranesville.....	70 00	Grantsville.....	20 00
Etam.....	50 00	Total.....	
		\$500 00	

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

Parkersburg, 2d church..	\$100 00	North Parkersburg.....	\$35 00
Big Bend.....	20 00	Pennsboro.....	50 00
Cairo.....	50 00	Pleasants.....	30 00
South Parkersburg.....	125 00	Total.....	
		\$410 00	

WHEELING DISTRICT.

McMechen.....	\$36 00	Fulton.....	\$36 00
Total.....		\$72 00	

D. L. ASH, Chairman.

J. ENGLE, Secretary.

Apportionment of the Missionary Collection.

Buckhannon District	\$2400 00	Charleston District	\$1700 00
Clarksburg ..	1750 00	Huntington ..	1200 00
Morgantown ..	2300 00	New River ..	950 00
Oakland ..	1500 00	Parkersburg ..	2500 00
Wheeling ..	3300 00	Total.....	
		\$17605 00	

Committee on Episcopal Fund.

Buckhannon District....	\$153 00	Charleston District....	\$105 00
Clarksburg District.....	167 00	Huntington District....	74 00

Morgantown District....	169 00	New River District.....	45 00
Oakland District	142 00	Parkersburg District....	171 00
Wheeling District.....	245 00		
		Total.....	\$1276 00

District Mission Secretaries.

Buckhannon District—T. W. Chidester.
 Charleston district—C. Hely Malony.
 Clarksburg district—Forbes B. Davis.
 Huntington district—W. S. Nicholson.
 Morgantown district—F. N. Lynch.
 New River district—L. S. Grose.
 Oakland district—C. E. Leatherby.
 Parkersburg district—George W. Kepler.
 Wheeling district—John Beddow.

Board of Control M. E. Times.

Ministers—A. B. Riker, F. S. Townsend, S. K. Arbuthnot
 D. L. Ash.

Laymen—E. B. Bayless, Harvey Harmer, C. W. Archbold.

Permanent Fund.

The Permanent Fund of West Virginia conference in account
 with H. K. List, Treasurer of said fund:

1896		
September 7—By balance on account rendered	\$ 755 00	
1897		
September 11—By coll. of interest on invested fund	333 48	
“ 11—By uninvested \$755 H K L.....	45 00	
“ 11—By donation from Alex, Lowther, Parkersburg, W. Va.....	1000 00	
“ 11—By donation from H. K. List.....	500 00	
		\$2633 78
1897. DR.		
Sept. 11—To cash loaned Burny Bros., Park bonds	\$1000 00	
“ “ “ 2 Bonds W. & In. J. S. Co. \$500 each	1000 00	
“ “ “ Cash for collection on account fund and cash to Rev. L. W. Roberts for conference claimants.....	378 78	
“ “ “ Balance on hand uninvested.....	255 00	2633 78
Sept. 11—By balance down.....		\$255 00
Wheeling, Sept. 11, 1897.		
E. & O. E.	HENRY K. LIST,	Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report of the West Virginia Conference for 1897.

NAME OF DISTRICTS.	Missionary Society	Church	Extension Sunday School	Union	Tract Society	Freedmen's Aid and Southern Educational Soc.	EDUCATION		American Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Soc'y	Woman's Home Missionary Soc'y	Total Other Benevolent Collec.	General Conference Expenses	Conference Claimants	Episcopal Fund	Total Cash and Vouchers
							Public Educational Collection, Seminary	Children's Fund								
Buckhannon	1187	134	34	31	90	283	118	32	2	2	2	....	335	101	2351	
Charleston	530	44	13	12	37	118	40	27	14	2	....	150	77	1064		
Clarksburg	760	77	18	14	77	162	99	23	1	101	34	....	261	89	1716	
Huntington	652	49	16	10	41	71	17	9	99	....	2	1	124	34	1125	
Morgantown	1213	98	23	23	81	200	71	32	126	2	....	328	108	2305		
New River	226	28	4	2	16	30	8	2	....	....	....	49	21	386		
Oakland	784	84	24	22	61	141	38	25	80	1	40	1	270	79	1650	
Parkersburg	1478	118	28	29	106	179	109	72	105	57	3	1	403	116	2904	
Wheeling	2330	175	42	40	176	292	139	157	467	....	653	3	757	154	5385	
Total	9160	807	202	183	685	1476	639	379	894	165	734	6	2677	779	18886	
Last Year	7953	706	163	154	474	1311	571	266	903	98	387	127	1835	664	16313	
Increase	1207	101	39	29	211	105	68	113	....	67	347	....	842	115	2573	
Decrease									9	....	121	....				

RESOLUTIONS.

RESOLUTION OF SYMPATHY.

Resolved, That it is with deepest regret that we learn of the serious illness of our Bro. Dr. A. B. Riker, and that we most sincerely sympathize with him and his family in their suffering and anxiety, and assure them of our warmest love and most earnest prayers for his speedy recovery.

2. That our secretary be instructed to forward this Resolution of sympathy to Dr. Riker.

F. D. L. BICKLEY.
ARCHIBALD MOORE.

Whereas, In as much as we believe that the reduction of the subscription price of the Pittsburg Christian Advocate from \$1.50 to \$1.00 would enable us place it in at least fifty per cent more homes than at present. Therefore be it

Resolved, That we hereby recommend that the management of that paper make such reduction.

J. B. WORKMAN.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference hereby be tendered to H. K. List, the Treasurer of the Board of Directors of the Permanent Trust Fund, for his systematic and careful attention given to the business of this board during the year.

C. B. GRAHAM.
F. N. LYNCH.

Resolved, That we tender our sincere thanks to Brother N. B. Johnson, of Fairmont, and Brother H. B. Bowden, of Palatine, and their people for the entertainment provided for the ministers on their way to Conference.

J. W. CLAYPOOL.
B. D. MAHONE.
H. C. HOWARD.
H. SCOTT.
A. S. ARNETT.
L. S. CARTER.

Whereas, The educational standards of Methodism are continually rising, and there is increasing demand in our church for an educated ministry; be it

Resolved, That we request the Presiding Elders of our Con-

ference to remind all candidates for our ministry of the disciplinary recommendation that they attend one or more of the Literary or Theological Institutions of our church before applying for admission to our Conference and to urge upon them the importance of such attendance.

2. That it is the judgment of the Conference that candidates should avail themselves of all possible educational advantages before applying for admission to our body.

S. K. ARBUTHNOT.

S. J. MILLER.

R. B. WARD.

A. CAMERON.

C. E. CLARK.

W. J. HARKNESS.

F. D. L. BICKLEY.

F. S. TOWNSEND.

F. N. LYNCH.

D. A. DENTON.

B. W. HUTCHINSON.

Whereas, The Church Extension Society asks West Virginia Conference for \$2,000, promising us only \$1,500, if all is raised and in that proportion.

There are in Huntington District two hundred preaching places with only forty-one church buildings. And New River District has two hundred preaching places and only fifty church buildings.

These two great districts, one half of the Conference territory, having four hundred preaching places and only ninety churches, leaving three hundred and ninety places where church buildings are needed besides many churches to be built in other districts.

Therefore, The West Virginia Conference asks the Board of Church Extension to consider our urgent need of churches, and increase the proportionate sum given to this Conference.

Resolved, That the secretary be requested to forward a copy of this resolution to Bishop W. F. Mallalieu to be presented to the Board of Church Extension at its next session. Also a copy to our representative from the Fourth General Conference District, Rev. A. J. Kynett.

RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION.

Resolved, That it has been our sincerest pleasure to welcome again to the chair, as our presiding officer, Bishop Mallalieu, whose impartial administration of Conference affairs, earnest devotion, and warm spiritual counsel have greatly endeared him to our hearts, and that we most earnestly pray for the preservation of his consecrated life to ever enlarging spheres of influence and good.

2. That we kindly appreciate the warm reception given the Conference by the good people of Morgantown, and that we have greatly enjoyed our stay with them, and pray God's everlasting blessing upon their church and all the homes which we have visited.

3. That we extend our thanks to Dr. Cameron and his faithful corps of helpers for their untiring efforts in providing for the comfort of the Conference.

4. That we express our pleasure and appreciation of the courtesies shown us by the president, faculty, and resident regent of the West Virginia University in their cordial reception to the Conference, and for the use of their hall for religious services.

5. That we heartily thank our secretaries and their assistants for their painstaking and faithful work.

6. That we hereby express our appreciation of all favors extended the Conference and its members by the Banks of Morgantown, the railroads and the public press.

Resolved, That we have greatly enjoyed the visit and morning talks of our Brother and co-laborer, Dr. Wilding, and will always gladly welcome him to our midst.

F. D. T. BICKLEY.
C. E. CLARK.

That, Whereas, Rev. W. P. Marsh, D. D., president of Mount Union College, Alliance, Ohio, has resigned his position because of ill health; and

Whereas, His administration has been so successful, and has brought the college up to a leading place among our educational institutions. Therefore be it

Resolved, That we regret to lose Dr. Marsh from the supervision of the school, and wish him a hearty God-speed in all his future career, and promise support to the school which he has so ably served.

S. J. MILLER.
C. HELY MALONY.
D. S. HAMMOND.

Whereas, At our last session the following preamble and resolution were passed:

Whereas, It is commonly reported throughout the Conference that several of the younger brethren, who before the bar of the Conference promised to abstain from the use of tobacco are now using it, and

Whereas, Membership in the Conference is voluntary, based upon the most solemn covenant engagements and obligations, so that if one party withdraws from the covenant, it is to be presumed the other has the same right; therefore,

Resolved, That any brethren who have changed their views

and practices in regard to this question, be requested to give a satisfactory explanation to the next ensuing session of this Conference of the reason of such change. Therefore,

Resolved, That we respectfully request the Bishop that when each Presiding Elder shall report, to inquire if any minister in his district as far as he has any knowledge, has violated the pledge which requires total abstinence from the use of tobacco.

C. POLING.

C. H. LAKIN.

F. N. LYNCH.

S. K. ARBUTHNOT.

Resolved, That the Committee on General Qualifications be combined with the Committee on Conference Relations and that the committee thus formed shall be known as the Committee on Conference Relations and Qualification, performing the duties formerly performed by both.

C. B. GRAHAM.

Resolved, That a committee of one minister and one layman be appointed to confer with a similar committee, already appointed by other Christian denominations, with a view to secure "an amendment to the Constitution of West Virginia," which shall make it possible for Missionary Societies and similar organizations, to legally receive bequests, etc.

CHAUTAUQUA SANITARIUM.

Resolved, That this Conference heartily approves the action of the Board of Trustees of the Campmeeting Association in conveying a plot of land of thirty acres to the "West Virginia Chautauqua Sanitarium," thereby aiding in the establishment of this valuable humanitarian institution.

Resolved, 2. That it is with satisfaction that we learn of the proposed "Chautauqua Sanitarium" at Mt. Pisgah on Elk river, and congratulate ourselves and its projectors that they have located it within the bounds of our Conference.

Resolved, 3. That we give it cordial welcome to a place among the humanitarian institutions in our midst.

Resolved, 4. That we as pastors will commend it to our people, and assure our hearty co-operation to make the sanitarium that splendid success it should prove.

F. D. T. BICKLEY.

GEO. W. GRIMES.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL TIMES.

After carefully considering all the matters pertaining to the paper, the following resolutions were proposed and adopted by the Board:

Resolved, That the Board of Control of the M. E. Times, in session at Parkersburg, express its confidence in the conduct of the paper, and that we believe it is deserving of the hearty support of the Methodists of West Virginia.

Resolved, That we believe that our peculiar conditions require the publication of a paper devoted exclusively to our needs.

Resolved, That the next session of the West Virginia Conference be requested to define its relation to the paper.

Resolved, That the pastors of the Conference be urged to use their influence in favor of the paper, trying to increase its circulation in every legitimate way.

Believing that the time has come for the Conference to take some definite attitude toward the paper and that we should give it our unqualified endorsement, and provide for a share in its management, we recommend that the following be enacted by this Conference.

That a Board of Control consisting of seven persons, four of whom shall be members of the West Virginia Annual Conference and three laymen in the M. E. church, whose full term of service shall be three years. Provided that at the first election, three members shall be appointed to serve for three years, two for two years, and two for one year. As the term of each class expires their successors shall be elected and vacancies which may occur shall be filled each year. The nominations for this Board shall be made by the Presiding Elders.

We further recommend that the general management of the Methodist Episcopal Times shall be vested in this Board of Control. It shall have power to regulate the policy of the paper, especially in regard to any matters which directly affect moral and religious questions, and the interests of the Conference and of Methodism in general.

It shall inquire into the business affairs of the paper and make such suggestions as it may deem proper.

It shall be the duty of this Board to nominate a member of the West Virginia Conference for editor.

It shall also be the duty of this Board to make a report to each session of the Annual Conference of the condition of the paper and make such recommendations to the Conference for action as in its judgment the enterprise demands.

We recommend that the pastors make an earnest effort to secure at least ten new subscribers for the paper on every charge this coming Conference year. Our list ought to reach six thousand by the time the paper is five years old. Let us raise the cry, every old subscriber renewed, and at least two thousand new ones within the next six months.

Respectfully submitted,

F. N. LYNCH.

STATISTICAL.

S. P. CRUMMETT, - - - STATISTICAL SECRETARY.

Address: Wheeling, W. Va.

L W ROBERTS, - - - - - TREASURER

Address: Wheeling, W. Va.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

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MINUTES OF WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

NAME OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'SP						BAPT'MS.		S. SCHOOLS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers.....	No full members.....	No local preachers.....	No. of deaths.....	No. children baptized	No adults baptized.....	No. of schools.....	No officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No Churches.....	Probable value.....	No parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on church property..	Present indebtedness on church property..	
Addison.....	65	346	1	3			6	48	307	5	5700	1	800	\$ 45			
Barbour.....	15	215	2	2		9	4	30	150	5	3000						
Belington.....	12	259	2	3		4	4	36	280	4	9000				206	1944	
Beverley.....	12	120	2	2		13	1	17	84	1	2800	1	500	400	10	100	
Buckhannon.....	9	420	3	4	4	28	1	25	310	1	4500	1	1500		185	655	
Beverly Circuit.....	21	171		3		9	9	49	180	2	1300						
Buckhannon Circuit.....	18	480	1	4		19	8	74	346	8	8400	1	500	800			
Cleveland.....	4	168				3	6	42	300	2	2000	1	500	103	60		
Cowau.....	10	94	1	1			4	30	130	2	1900	1	400	1200	600	600	
Cutlipville.....	63	143	1	1		10	5	25	240	1	800			280		150	
Duffy.....	43	340		5		9	4	34	150	5	4500	1	450		50	110	
East Buckhannon.....	63	249	1		1	4	7	62	386	7	3500			40	104	107	
Elkins.....	17	134		2		6	1	12	164	1	3200				184	550	
Flatwoods.....	10	171	1	5		5	2	18	155	4	4500	1	600		50	600	
Freemansburg.....	3	339	4	3	1	7	6	46	237	7	5045	1	875	720	75		
Frenchton.....	3	300	1	5		4	4	56	250	4	3500	1	500				
Glensville.....	10	396	2	2	1	3	4	37	205	5	6000	1	700	25	425	600	
Holly Grove.....	8	312	3	5		7	7	63	305	7	5150	1	670	816	10	114	
Montrose.....	9	183	1	9		9	5	46	230	3	2000						
Mingo.....	10	69	1	2		4				1	300	1	500	5			
Newlon.....	63	210	1	1	1	1	6	55	225	4	4000	1	500				
Philippi.....	7	452		7		7	5	47	273	5	6000	1	1000	25			
South Buckhannon.....	10	424		4		12	5	40	359	6	4000			35			
Sutton.....	20	390	1	3	3	24	8	63	473	5	11000	1	800	3875		1700	
Ten Mile.....	60	370	1	3	4	7	6	66	350	5	3500	1	300	10	58	50	
Troy.....	7	490	1	3		18	9	79	552	9	9000	1	1000	20			
Weston.....	4	200		5	3		1	15	125	1	5000	1	3500				
Weston Circuit.....	34	244		1	5	8	9	72	360	6	5000					50	
Totals.....	610	7695	31	88	23	230	137	1187	7126	116	124595	19	15595	8399	2017	7330	

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BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUPPORT OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISHOPS		Total support; pastors, presbyters and bishops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		CURRENT EXPNS'S	
		CLAIMS.			RECFPTS.			Deficiencies.....	Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	RECD FROM		Total.....	Church, sexton, light, fuel, etc.
		Salary.....	House rent	Total.....	Salary.....	House rent	Total.....						Collections	Other sources.		
Addison.....	Geo. E. Ward.....	500	50	550	450	50	500	50	50	6	6	556	10	.....	10	30
Barbour.....	John W. Engle, sup.....	175	.....	175	126	.....	126	49	30	28	3	1	155	.....	.....	10
Belington.....	Perry C. Mays.....	500	.....	500	396	.....	396	104	40	32	4	2	430	3	6	30
Beverly.....	James W. Engle.....	400	.....	400	400	.....	400	.....	60	60	6	2	462	8	4	80
Buckhannon.....	Asbury Mick.....	1100	125	1100	1100	125	1225	.....	110	110	12	12	1347	34	11	201
Beverly Circuit.....	W. P. Daniels, sup.....	225	.....	225	120	.....	120	105	12	12	.....	.....	132	.....	.....	.....
Buckhannon Circuit.....	P. L. Bent.....	501	50	551	400	50	450	104	100	100	11	5	555	19	4	49
Cleveland.....	Perry H. Hawk.....	300	25	325	120	25	145	180	28	28	1	2	175	.....	1	12
Cowan.....	William Fallen.....	205	40	245	196	40	236	9	22	22	3	2	260	3	2	20
.....	J. G. Crafts, sup.....	125	.....	126	139	.....	139	.....	16	16	2	1	156	3	1	.....
Duffy.....	John O. Bolton.....	300	30	330	254	30	284	46	34	34	4	2	320	6	3	35
East Buckhannon.....	J. Halpenny, sup.....	350	.....	350	289	.....	289	61	31	26	3	2	317	2	2	40
Elkins.....	Gratten U. Balsley.....	500	.....	500	500	.....	500	.....	44	44	5	5	549	14	5	78
Flatwoods.....	Fred Cottrill.....	450	50	500	379	50	429	71	50	50	6	4	483	3	3	5
Freemansburg.....	Martin Talbot.....	425	75	500	405	75	480	20	60	60	6	3	543	10	.....	40
Frenchtown.....	C. E. Leatherby.....	475	50	525	390	50	440	85	65	65	6	5	510	5	4	50
Glenville.....	J. C. Strader.....	500	75	575	463	75	538	37	65	65	6	3	606	6	5	30
Holly Grove.....	O. U. Marple.....	400	50	450	416	50	466	.....	38	38	4	4	508	14	4	34
Montrose.....	H. M. Strader.....	300	.....	300	300	.....	300	.....	32	32	4	4	336	11	3	35
Mingo.....	T. J. Lewis, sup.....	165	30	195	115	30	145	50	28	28	3	1	174	2	.....	.....
Newlon.....	Daniel Westfall.....	325	50	375	300	50	350	25	38	38	4	4	392	11	3	100
Philippi.....	C. B. Meredith.....	500	100	600	445	100	545	55	70	67	6	5	617	5	4	37
South Buckhannon.....	T. W. Chidester.....	600	.....	600	578	.....	578	22	70	70	7	3	651	10	5	65
Sutton.....	G. D. Smith.....	600	75	675	600	75	675	.....	70	70	7	7	752	15	6	36
Ten Mile.....	A. L. Ireland.....	400	25	425	325	25	350	75	36	34	3	2	387	5	.....	25
Troy.....	J. A. Marteney.....	513	50	563	475	50	525	38	65	65	7	7	597	15	5	60
Weston.....	W. J. Harkness.....	900	180	1080	850	180	1030	50	100	100	10	8	1138	24	.....	156
Weston Circuit.....	W. T. W. Sleith.....	400	.....	400	232	.....	232	168	36	36	.....	4	272	4	1	4
District.....	J. H. Hess.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	10	.....
Seminary.....	E. W. Hutchinson.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	12	.....
Totals.....		12137	1130	13276	10763	1130	11893	1404	1400	1380	139	107	13380	242	99	341

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

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MINUTES OF WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			S. school Union.	Tract society.	Freedman's Aid & S. Edu. Society.	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society.	Woman's Foreign Miss. Society.	Woman's Home Mis. Society.	Total other benevolent collections	Conference claimants.	Episcopal fund.
	(a) Church.	(b) Sunday School	Total				(a) Public ed ⁿ collection.	(b) Children's Fund.						
Addison	110		110	6	1	7	9						10	
Barbour	10		10	1	1		1							
Belington	16	9	25	1				9					6	
Beverly	10	30	40	1			5						12	
Buckhannon	165	55	220	6	6	13	55	12	2				45	12
Buckhannon Circuit	35	25	60	2	2	6	11	5					23	5
Cleveland	10	5	15				2						1	2
Cutlipville	18	7	25	1	1	2	5						4	1
Duffy	5		5	1	1	2	5						5	2
East Buckhannon	20	10	30	2	1	3	9						9	2
Elkins	10	3	13	1	1	1	1	2	1				2	2
Flatwoods	40		40	10	1	6	15						19	5
Freemansburg	17	3	20				2	2					6	4
Frenchton	35		35	6	2	4	14						10	3
Glenville	45	5	50	5			5				2		9	5
Holy Grove	36		36	5	1	1	8						11	3
Montrose	58	2	60	8	2	5	20						18	4
Mingo	60		60	8	2	2	4	15	15	2	1	1	14	4
Newlon	8		8			1							2	1
Philippi	35		35	7	2	2	6	16					14	4
South Buckhannon	37	3	40	3			5						9	5
Sutton	30	5	35	1	1	1	1	20	2	1			15	3
Ten Mile	24	31	55	5	1	2	12	50	1				21	7
Troy	12		12	3	1		5						5	3
Weston	60		60	12	1	1	4	22					29	7
Weston Circuit	35	35	70	8	3	3	8	18	6	9			24	8
District	15		15	3			2		3				5	4
Seminary													10	
Totals	956	228	1184	137	33	31	94	277	128	32	2	2	2	341 107

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMBERS		BAPT'MS.		S. SCHOOLS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.									
	No. of probationers.....	No. of full members.....	No. of local preachers.....	No. of deaths.....	No. of children baptized.	No. of adults baptized.....	No. of schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on church property.	Present indebtedness on church property.
Arnoldsburg	23	112	3	2	9	3	12	115	4	2500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	400
Buffalo	19	141	2	1	4	18	3	26	126	3	2150	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Charleston	82	305	1	2	5	15	1	60	579	1	12000	1	4000	150	300	1480
Charleston Circuit.....	11	321	2	3	10	4	24	265	6	3500	1	500	300	.....	.....	.....
Clendennen	8	150	2	5	1	2	5	30	145	3	1600	1	400	210	.....	.....
Clifton and Mason	18	273	1	4	12	15	3	42	275	3	2500	1	500	60	.....	.....
Gottageville	60	290	2	6	2	53	6	54	350	3	3000	1	900	1050	31	.....
Danaville	12	120	1	2	8	4	24	170	2	1800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Elmwood	4	158	3	1	2	36	3	23	110	1	200	1	300	28	28	.....
Goldtown	35	222	5	2	.....	4	36	175	3	2500	1	200	.....	.....	.....	.....
Graham Mines.....	38	243	3	1	1	5	35	230	2	2000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hartford	295	1	2	.....	4	3	40	300	3	3000	1	800	50	.....	.....	100
Leon	22	149	1	3	2	1	3	24	178	5	1800	.....	.....	.....	.....	127
Malden	15	60	1	.....	1	12	100	1	1000	1	1000	1	400	30	.....	16
Mount Union	36	151	2	7	.....	4	36	210	5	4000	1	300	736	200	.....	.....
Noble	11	316	2	6	3	6	34	300	6	4300	.....	.....	500	.....	.....	200
Pt. Pleasant	10	100	.....	.....	2	1	17	100	1	5000	1	2000	180	.....	.....	2053
Ravenswood	11	121	1	4	5	1	20	80	1	1500	1	1500	.....	.....	.....	.....
Raymond .....	.....	60	1	.....	.....	2	17	96	1	1200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Reedy	3	121	.....	.....	3	6	48	288	2	1500	.....	.....	500	.....	.....	75
Ripley	10	305	2	3	15	6	35	240	6	5600	1	600	1100	.....	.....	125
Spencer	2	136	1	2	3	3	25	126	3	3500	1	1500	150	.....	.....	40
Walton	15	315	1	2	11	5	35	300	4	3500	.....	.....	850	.....	.....	.....
West Charleston	30	146	1	2	2	12	2	20	270	1	2200	1	2000	.....	185	850
Totals	475	4610	39	60	30	226	84	729	5127	70	71850	15	15900	5396	744	5466

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.							SUPPORT OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISHOPS.		Total support: Pastors, presiding elders and bishops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS		CURRENT EXPNS'S			
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.	Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.		REC'D FROM		Total.	Church:—Sexton, light, fuel, etc.	Sunday school, lesson leaves, books, etc.	
		Salary.	House rent.	Total.	Salary.	House rent.	Total.							Collections.	Other Sources.				
Arnoldsburg	Jas. Kinder	325	10	335	221	10	231	104	50	40	5	1	272	2	1	3	.....	8	25
Buffalo	W. W. Burton (Sup.)	220	60	280	171	20	191	89	32	32	3	3	226	5	.....	5	.....	405	295
Charleston	A. B. Riker	1800	300	2100	1800	300	2100	.....	120	120	14	14	2234	40	.....	40	.....	25	17
Charleston Circuit	G. W. Alley	481	50	531	442	50	492	39	50	50	5	4	546	5	.....	5	.....	20	20
Clendennen	W. H. Hammond	365	40	405	280	40	320	85	46	46	4	4	370	2	.....	3	.....	90	100
Clifton and Mason	Arthur Merrels	600	30	630	580	30	610	20	56	56	2	2	668	3	.....	5	.....	110	140
Cottageville	E. L. Meadows	400	100	500	420	100	520	.....	45	45	4	4	569	2	.....	4	.....	18	50
Danaville	E. A. Davis	400	.....	400	325	.....	325	75	42	37	6	4	366	2	.....	2	.....	10	19
Elmwood	Jno. McKendree (Sup.)	175	25	200	175	25	200	.....	32	32	3	3	235	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	9
Goldtown	L. E. Leslie	210	.....	210	160	.....	160	50	50	50	5	5	215	4	.....	1	.....	4	10
Graham Mines	J. W. Crawford	85	.....	85	85	.....	85	.....	11	11	4	4	100	3	.....	1	.....	150	100
Hartford	C. J. Trippet	450	60	510	250	50	300	210	58	46	.....	.....	346	2	.....	2	.....	16	22
Leon	T. W. Wilson	200	.....	200	126	.....	126	74	40	20	4	.....	148	2	.....	2	.....	20	30
Malden	A. J. Lyda	300	60	360	120	60	180	180	42	24	6	2	206	3	.....	2	.....	25	20
Mount Union	P. D. Fisher	375	36	411	375	36	411	.....	40	40	4	2	453	3	.....	3	.....	31	45
Noble	W. P. Guinn	450	.....	450	374	.....	374	76	65	65	6	4	443	4	.....	4	.....	60	40
Pt. Pleasant	W. J. Holt	550	150	700	550	150	700	.....	57	57	7	7	764	10	.....	10	.....	50	40
Ravenswood	H. Scott	450	120	570	430	120	550	20	44	44	5	5	599	.....	.....	4	.....	20	16
Raymond	E. S. Withers	234	66	300	150	66	216	84	32	32	3	3	251	2	.....	2	.....	5	30
Reedy	O. A. Kelly	200	.....	200	150	.....	150	50	32	32	2	2	184	3	.....	1	.....	30	30
Ripley	W. T. McCutcheon	400	50	450	300	50	350	100	54	38	7	.....	390	3	.....	1	.....	25	25
Spencer	J. J. White	380	100	480	275	100	375	105	45	43	5	2	420	3	.....	3	.....	75	25
Walton	H. K. Riffe	300	30	330	210	30	240	90	50	50	.....	.....	290	3	.....	2	.....	40	.....
West Charleston	C. S. Shackelford	500	110	610	440	110	550	60	45	34	.....	.....	584	3	.....	4	.....	7	25
Totals		9850	1397	11247	8419	1327	9756	1511	1138	1044	104	79	10879	109	41	150	1235	1100	

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

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CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'SP		BAPTISMS		SUN. SCHOOLS		CHURCH PROPERTY.									
	No. of probationers.....	No. of full members.....	No. of local preachers.....	No. of Deaths.....	No. of Children.....	No. of Adults.....	No. of Schools.....	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars.....	No. of Churches.....	Probable Values.....	No. of Parsonages.....	Probable Value.....	Paid for building and improving church and parsonage.	Paid on old indebtedness on church property.	Present indebtedness on Church Property
Bridgeport.....	18	402	.....	8	.....	26	5	41	224	6	5000	1	1300	76	12	17
Cherry Camp.....	10	242	.....	3	.....	21	5	29	272	5	5500	1	300	30	.....	.....
Clarksburg.....	12	330	1	3	8	9	1	20	200	1	18000	1	2500	2040	60	14
Enterprise.....	15	146	.....	2	.....	.....	1	10	60	3	2200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fairmont.....	4	350	4	3	10	6	1	25	250	1	10000	.....	4000	4000	.....	.....
Farmington.....	.....	370	.....	2	.....	4	7	56	350	7	8500	1	1800	150	.....	900
Jarvisville.....	20	305	1	7	.....	12	6	48	225	6	3500	1	800	73	.....	350
Logansport.....	23	277	.....	1	.....	23	6	54	340	5	6300	1	800	432	.....	.....
Lumberport.....	3	410	1	1	2	4	8	54	326	7	6000	1	500	50	.....	.....
Mannington.....	8	164	4	1	1	1	1	15	166	1	7000	1	2000	50	50	100
Marion.....	4	235	.....	2	.....	6	5	43	188	6	5200	1	400	950	120	375
Mt. Clare.....	28	286	1	2	.....	5	5	41	251	4	5000	1	900	650	.....	356
Pine Groves.....	12	400	3	3	.....	63	5	39	325	5	2800	.....	.....	78	.....	.....
Pruntytown.....	19	440	1	4	1	13	5	43	253	4	7000	1	800	100	.....	.....
Smithton.....	19	225	2	3	.....	18	4	24	180	5	3000	1	450	1400	.....	.....
West Milford.....	10	270	1	5	2	30	4	18	210	4	2000	1	700	.....	.....	.....
Wilsonburg.....	5	253	1	5	.....	7	3	25	140	4	4000	1	450	150	25	.....
Total.....	210	5105	20	55	24	249	72	585	3960	74	104000	15	17700	10229	267	2112

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.								SUPPORT OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISHOPS.		Total Support—Pastors, Elders and Bishops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.			CURRENT EXPENSES.	
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid.	REC'D FROM		Total	Church—Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc.	Sunday School—Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.		
		Salary	House Rent.	Total	Salary	House Rent.	Total						Collections.					Other Sources.	
Bridgeport.....	C Poling.....	600	100	700	430	100	530	170	68	59	.....	.....	589	12	5	17	32	50	
Cherry Camp.....	Thos G Merideth.....	450	75	525	410	75	485	40	60	60	.....	2	547	5	4	9	.....	.....	
Clarksburg.....	George W Grimes.....	1000	200	1200	1000	200	1200	.....	75	75	14	14	1289	38	10	48	125	75	
Enterprise.....	J F McClure.....	170	.....	170	170	.....	170	.....	48	40	4	2	212	1	1	2	30	18	
Fairmont.....	N B Johnson.....	900	200	1100	900	200	1100	.....	75	75	16	16	1191	50	.....	50	220	125	
Farmington.....	D A Friend.....	500	150	650	500	150	650	.....	68	68	10	10	728	15	5	20	65	55	
Jarvisville.....	Marion Taylor.....	305	95	400	305	95	400	.....	60	52	5	3	455	7	3	10	35	100	
Logansport.....	W R Hennon.....	440	60	500	434	60	494	6	60	60	8	8	572	12	4	16	66	37	
Lumberport.....	H C Sanford.....	600	50	650	400	50	450	200	68	56	6	2	508	6	.....	6	50	50	
Mannington.....	R B Ward.....	700	200	900	700	200	900	.....	70	70	9	6	976	20	5	25	110	70	
Marion.....	L N Coffield.....	400	50	450	343	50	393	57	60	60	6	6	459	6	3	9	.....	.....	
Mt Clare.....	Taylor Richmond.....	450	75	525	410	75	485	40	68	64	10	4	553	7	4	11	30	25	
Pine Grove.....	Theophilus McCoy.....	350	36	386	317	9	326	60	50	50	4	2	378	10	3	13	.....	26	
Pruntytown.....	E D W King.....	535	65	600	455	65	520	80	68	63	10	4	587	5	.....	5	80	48	
Smithton.....	A D Garrett.....	300	36	336	280	36	316	20	52	52	.....	.....	368	.....	2	2	40	20	
West Milford.....	W B King.....	500	150	650	410	150	560	90	68	68	10	10	638	5	4	9	75	25	
Wilsonburg.....	Forbes B Davis.....	300	50	350	250	50	300	50	60	60	8	1	361	3	.....	3	75	45	
District.....	J. Engle, P. E.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	6	.....	.....	.....	
Total.....		8500	1592	10092	7744	1565	9279	813	1078	1032	120	90	10401	202	59	261	1033	769	

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.												
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension	Sunday School Union.....	Tract Society.....	Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society	EDUCATION		American Bible Society.....	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Woman's Home Missionary Society.	Total Other Benevolent Collections
	(a) Church.....	(b) Sunday School.....	Total.....					(a) Public Educational Collection.	(b) Children's Fund.....				
Bridgeport.....	20	10	30					10					17
Cherry Camp.....	11	14	25	2			2	18	17				9
Clarksburg.....	50	50	100	20	3	3	19	40	10	9			48
Enterprise.....	9		9					2					2
Fairmont.....	78	72	150	10	4	1	8		1				50
Farmington.....	55	20	75	10	1	1	5	10	2	1			20
Jarvisville.....	20		20	1					1				10
Logansport.....	32	3	35	8		1	6	6	13	2			16
Lumberport.....	10	5	15	2			1	4					6
Mannington.....	55	50	105	10	4	3	16	5	22	8			25
Marion.....	3	30	33	2	1	1	4	5	18				9
Mt. Clair.....	27	8	35	4	1	1	7	12	8		\$100		11
Pine Cr. v.....	25		25	1	1	1	1	8					13
Pruntytown.....	35	7	42	4	1		5	2	8				5
Smithtown.....	3	2	5	1	1			1		1			2
West Milford.....	25		25	1		1		5					9
Wilsonburg.....	10	5	15	1			2	2	1				3
District, P. E.....													6
Total.....	468	278	744	77	18	14	77	155	99	23	1	\$100	191
													261
													90

*Special bequest by Miss Rebecca A. McWhorter.

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'SP				BAPT'MS.		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers....	No full members.....	No local preachers.....	No. of deaths.....	No. children baptized	No adults baptized....	No. of schools.....	No officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No Churches.....	Probable value.....	No parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on church property..	Present indebtedness on church property..
Athton.....	24	135	.....	1	.....	10	3	22	115	1	150	.....	.....	75	.....	.....
Cassville.....	22	229	4	2	.....	33	6	35	212	2	200	.....	.....	95	.....	472
Central City.....	.....	57	.....	.....	1	.....	1	15	120	1	2600	.....	.....	15	56	.....
Ceredo.....	5	115	.....	4	3	.....	2	20	75	2	3000	1	800	60	40	900
Coalburg.....	6	106	.....	2	6	4	4	28	215	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Coal River.....	34	143	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	49	266	2	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Copleyville.....	59	250	6	4	1	3	4	36	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dingess.....	10	25	1	.....	.....	2	2	9	90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
East Hamlin.....	30	79	1	.....	3	.....	2	11	50	2	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Egypt.....	4	100	1	4	.....	3	4	33	187	2	1200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fairfields.....	5	93	.....	.....	4	6	2	18	120	1	1000	1	400	46	.....	.....
Guyandotte.....	7	114	1	1	1	21	1	16	100	1	2600	1	1200	20	.....	.....
Hamlin.....	27	154	3	5	.....	3	4	30	248	2½	1500	1	250	10	.....	.....
Huntington, 1st church.....	36	324	.....	2	7	8	2	37	280	1	18000	1	2500	100	425	3200
Huntington 7th Ave.....	84	287	2	4	7	40	1	21	251	1	4100	.....	.....	502	466	.....
Hart's Creek.....	3	22	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Henderson.....	2	182	.....	1	2	7	4	35	240	4	1600	1	400	.....	45	.....
Hurricane.....	3	95	2	2	.....	.....	3	9	100	1	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kanawha City.....	15	88	1	.....	.....	40	5	40	350	1	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Milton.....	8	290	1	4	1	3	5	37	185	3	2150	1	200	52	.....	.....
Oilville.....	27	77	1	1	.....	.....	7	25	166	1	1200	.....	.....	30	.....	.....
Reed.....	33	112	2	.....	2	3	3	26	166	4	2900	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St Albans.....	30	86	1	2	12	27	2	18	120	2	1300	1	400	536	.....	315
Scott.....	10	29	1	.....	.....	19	3	16	127	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sheridan.....	44	94	1	.....	3	6	2	17	76	1	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wayne.....	14	327	3	6	2	13	4	39	350	4	3250	1	400	50	.....	.....
Williamson.....	23	42	.....	1	.....	6	4	36	196	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Winfield.....	1	146	1	3	.....	1	2	20	93	4	2000	1	500	32	.....	.....
Winifrede.....	7	64	.....	2	11	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	563	3865	35	51	65	258	88	698	4498	43	49800	10	7050	1091	1098	5353

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.				SUPPORT OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISHOPS.		Total support: pastors, presb. of elders and bishops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.			CURRENT EXPENSES.	
		CLAIMS.		RECEIPTS.		Deficiencies.	Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	RECD FROM	Total.	Church, sexton, light, fuel, etc.	Sunday school lessons, Ivs, books, etc.	
		Salary.	House rent.	Salary.	House rent.						Collections				
Ashton	C B Mottice	300	300	42	42	258	30	24	8	1	67	1	10	15	
Cassville	W M Kingsley	400	60	460	200	260	33	27	2		287	1	1	12	
Central City	Wm S Nicholson	500	500	340	340	160	30	30	2	2	372	2	3	55	
Ceredo	Francis M Cain	550	150	700	350	500	30	30			530	1	1	60	
Coalburg	James Fish	500	500	271	271	229	38	32	4	1	304	1	1	20	
Coal River	H P Williams	325	25	350	57	293	36	32	4	1	304	1	1	66	
Copleyville	E B Wilkinson	300	300	90	90	210	33	14			96	1	1	30	
Dinges	W E Thompson	150	150	29	29	121	20	16		1	111				
East Hamlin	C W Holley	150	150	16	16	134	22	6			45				
Egypt	H M Grimes	185	185	49	49	136	28	16	1	1	22				
Farfield	S M Day	550	60	610	510	100	50	45	5	5	66	1	1	10	
Guyandotte	H C Howard	375	125	500	375	125	48	48	4	2	620	9	5	50	
Hamlin	Geo E Fuller	300	25	325	181	25	46	46	3	1	550	3	3	75	
Huntington, 1st Church	F N Lynch	1200	300	1500	1068	300	84	84	10	5	253	4	2	13	
" 7th Avenue	S J Miller	900	900	600	600	300	43	43	5	5	1457	25	10	250	
Harts Creek	W D Pinson	100	100	4	4	96	20	2			648	9	6	103	
Henderson	A J L Curtis	400	50	450	300	50	50	50	5	2	6				
Hurricane	G W Fletcher	200	200	37	37	163	24	17			402	6	3	9	
Kanawha City	J S Pullin	300	300	53	53	247	28				54				
Milton	L D Bryan	325	50	375	210	50	44	44	2	1	53			165	
Oilville	E M Cochran	300	300	149	149	151	23	28			305	4	2	40	
Reed	A E Wingert	285	285	200	200	85	27	27	2	1	172			10	
St Albans	B F Howell	300	36	336	123	36	32	25			228			9	
Scott	J P Hensley	150	150	54	54	96	20	9			184			18	
Sheridan	J E Holley	150	150	42	42	108	22	7			63			8	
Wayne	J B Workman	400	50	450	390	50	40	38	4	3	49			25	
Williamson	H V Kingsley	300	300	238	238	62	28	22			481	8	4	28	
Winfield	L S Carter	400	60	460	137	60	42	31	3	1	260			12	
Winifrede	W B Young	550	550	210	210	340	40	22	3	2	219			20	
Totals		10845	991	11836	6225	991	1007	798	64	34	8148	76	41	117	702

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.														
	MISSIONS.			S. school Union. Board of Church Extension.	Tract society.....	Freedman's Aid & S. Edu. Society.	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society.	Woman's Foreign Miss. Society.	Woman's Home Miss. Society.	Total other bene- volent collectns	General Conference Expenses	Conference claim- ants.	Episcopal fund.....
	(a) Church.....	(b) Sunday School	Total				[a] Public edcn ¹ collection.	(b) Children's Fund.							
Ashton	8		8	1		1	1						1	1	
Cassville	15		15	1		1	1	2						2	
Central City.....	22		22	1	1	1	1	1						1	
Ceredo	6	5	11	1		1	1	1						1	
Coalburg	8	9	17	1		1								1	
Coal River.....	10		10	1				1						1	
Copleyville	6		6			1								1	
Dingess				2		1									
East Hamlin	1		1												
Egypt	20		20	1		2	1							1	
Fairfields	35	15	50	1	1	3	20	1	1		2		14	15	
Guyandotte.....	25	5	30	1	1	1	3		1				3	2	
Hamlin	23		23	3	1	1	5		1				6	1	
Huntington, First Church.....	145	60	205	3	1	1	5	25	3	86	29		25	5	
Huntington, 7th Avenue.....	40	40	80	4	2	1	3	5	3	13		2	15	5	
Hart's Creek	1		1												
Henderson	20	12	32	3	1	1	3	1	6					2	
Hurricane	1		1												
Kanawha City.....	1	2	3	1		1		1							
Milton	24	1	25	3	1	1	2	3	1					1	
Oilville	2		2												
Reid	34		34											1	
St Albans	10		10	1		2									
Scott	4		4												
Sheridan	2		2												
Wayne	27	17	44	4	1	1	2	4					8	3	
Williamson	5		5	2	1		2								
Winfield	14	1	15	3	1		2							1	
Winifrede	10		10	2		1	1	1	1				3	2	
Totals	519	167	686	48	16	10	40	71	17	9	99	29	4	84	

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'RS				BAPTISMS		SUN. SCHOOLS			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers.....	No. of full members.....	No. of local preachers.....	No. of Deaths.....	No. of Children.....	No. of Adults.....	No. of Schools.....	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars.....	No. of Churches.....	Probable Value.....	No. of Parsonages.....	Probable Value.....	Paid for building and improving church and parsonage.	Paid on old indebtedness on church property.	Present indebtedness on Church Property
Arnettsville.....	30	280	2	5	2	25	4	35	150	4	3200	1	1000	450	.....	.....
Blacksville.....	3	483	1	4	1	37	4	41	350	4	8500	1	1250	675	.....	875
Grafton.....	.....	418	.....	5	13	5	1	23	170	1	17000	1	2800	110	465	.....
Halleck.....	11	320	.....	5	1	54	6	53	375	6	5000	1	650	25	.....	18
Jollytown.....	2	337	1	2	7	29	5	47	374	5	4300	1	1800	.....	27	80
Kingwood.....	12	221	.....	3	.....	1	1	18	175	1	7500	1	2500	.....	.....	.....
Knottsville.....	23	371	.....	6	11	32	5	40	250	4	4000	1	600	.....	.....	.....
Littleton.....	41	173	2	.....	9	44	3	21	180	3	3800	1	1100	165	.....	15
Masontown.....	.....	287	2	2	2	18	5	37	200	5	4400	1	1000	.....	.....	.....
Monongalia.....	13	452	1	7	2	15	6	60	420	6	9000	1	2900	175	.....	.....
Morgantown.....	5	340	1	4	6	6	1	20	230	1	6000	1	5000	100	.....	.....
Morgantown Circuit.....	52	454	4	10	5	25	7	70	320	7	5650	.....	.....	103	525	.....
Palatine.....	15	260	1	2	.....	.....	1	17	200	1	5000	1	1500	465	.....	.....
Palatine Circuit.....	24	607	3	7	.....	48	7	74	436	7	6000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tunnelton.....	12	370	1	6	2	8	7	35	215	4	2650	1	800	50	.....	25
Wadestown.....	5	386	1	7	.....	8	5	53	293	5	5500	1	1200	200	50	250
Total.....	268	5759	20	75	61	355	68	644	4423	64	97500	15	23200	2518	1067	1263

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.							SUPPORT OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISHOPS.		Total support: Pastors, pre-siding elders and bishops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS			CURRENT EXPNS'S	
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.....	Amount apportioned	Amount paid.....	Amount apportioned.....	Amount paid.....		REC'D FROM		Total.....	Church:—Sexton, light, fuel, etc.	Sunday school lesson leaves, books, etc.
		Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....	Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....							Collections.....	Other Sources.....			
Arnettsville	J B Feather.....	450	50	500	318	50	368	132	75	75	8	3	446	5	3	8	50	20
Blacksville	Geo H Williams.....	600	150	750	543	150	693	57	80	80	13	5	778	10	5	15	76	61
Grafton	C E Shaw.....	1000	200	1200	1000	200	1200	.....	108	108	15	15	1323	40	10	50	135	65
Halleck	B L Mercer.....	400	50	450	375	50	425	25	64	64	9	.....	489	4	4	4	37	40
Jollytown	F G W Ford.....	430	95	525	430	95	525	.....	65	65	5	4	594	7	5	12	50	47
Kingwood	S P Cummett.....	600	150	750	600	150	750	.....	83	83	10	10	843	21	6	27	106	25
Knottsville	E A Barnes.....	450	75	525	450	75	525	.....	80	80	11	11	616	29	5	34	.....	30
Littleton	U S G Carroll.....	316	85	401	316	85	401	.....	60	60	5	5	466	7	3	10	50	60
Masontown	Marcellus Knotts.....	413	75	488	335	75	410	78	60	60	7	2	472	4	3	7	80	40
Monongalia	John Bellow.....	610	150	760	610	150	760	.....	88	88	9	9	857	20	6	26	105	60
Morgantown	Albert Cameron.....	1000	400	1400	1000	400	1400	.....	108	108	15	15	1523	41	.....	41	200	200
Palatine	S E Jones.....	600	.....	600	536	.....	536	64	80	80	16	3	619	15	5	20	100	100
	H R Bowden.....	500	100	600	500	100	600	.....	60	60	7	7	667	13	5	18	100	53
Tunnelton	J W Woodruff, Sup.....	500	.....	500	412	.....	412	88	60	60	7	7	479	13	.....	13	45	44
Wadestown	W C Rogers.....	410	75	485	387	75	462	23	64	64	5	1	527	7	2	9	30	35
District	G W Bent.....	475	100	575	475	100	575	.....	65	65	11	11	651	20	5	25	80	78
	D L Ash, P E.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	10	.....	.....	.....
Totals		8754	1755	10509	8287	1755	10042	467	1200	1200	134	108	11350	252	77	329	1304	953

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.															
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.	Sunday School Union.	Tract Society.	Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society.	EDUCATION		American Bible Society.	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Woman's Home Missionary Society.	Total Other Benevolent Collections.	General Conference Expenses.	Conference Claimants.	Episcopal Fund.
	(a) Church.	(b) Sunday School.	Total.					(a) Public Educational Collection.	(b) Children's Fund.							
Arnettsville	16	10	26	2	1	1	2	4	6	1					8	3
Blacksville	29	39	68		1	2	3	3	3						15	5
Grafton	157	43	200	15	3	3	10	20	1	5	17				50	15
Halleck	12	3	15					12							4	
Jollytown	42		32	2	1	1			5						12	4
Kingwood	40	25	65	8	2	2	8	30	8	8	57				27	10
Knottsville	68	7	75	6	1	1	4	13	10	1	1				34	11
Littleton	30		30	2	1	1	3	4							10	5
Maonsontown	5	2	7	2	1	1	1	1							7	2
Monongalia	80	100	180	3	2	2	7	17	1	1					26	9
Morgantown	141	59	200	21	3	3	15	48	8	12	11				41	15
Morgantown Circuit	35	10	45	9	2	2	7	12	10	2	1				20	3
Palatine	27	13	40	2	1	1	2	5	3	1	17				18	7
Palatine Circuit	68		68	8	1	1	5		1	1	1				13	7
Tunnelton	40		40	1			1		1		20				9	1
Wadestown	60	60	120	9	2	2	13	29	10	1					25	11
District															10	
Total	840	373	1213	98	23	23	81	195	71	34	127	2			329	108

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'SP				NOBPT'M		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers.....	No full members.....	No local preachers.....	No. of deaths.....	No. children baptized	No. adults baptized	No. of scholars.....	No officers and teachers.....	No. of schools.....	No Churches.....	Probable value.....	No parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on church property..	Present indebtedness on church property..
Birch River	74	99	2	1	4	5	40	100	4	1600	450	10	390			
Boone	65	129	1	2	6	8	63	200	2	3500	1000	1	1000			
Claremont	30	41	2	1	6	7	11	85	1	1500	1000	1	1500			
Cloy	13	40	1	1	1	2	11	85	1	1500	1000	1	1500			
Concord	20	770	1	1	10	1	5	40	1	250	1000	1	250			
Elk River	50	211	2	2	18	8	60	325	2 1/2	1800	300	1	300			
Fayette	50	291	1	1	20	3	24	160	3	2100	300	1	300			
Flat Top	32	135	1	1	4	1	4	30	2	700	700	1	700			
Hewett	23	227	1	6	13	47	37	300	1	100	200	1	300			
Hinton	50	281	3	3	20	7	49	301	5	2000	100	1	300			
Kanawha	10	45	3	3	11	1	10	50	1	700	600	1	700			
Logan	13	186	5	2	5	11	6	80	2	700	55	1	700			
Mattville	169	297	2	3	10	6	80	150	2	700	150	1	700			
Mountain Cove.....	18	270	1	5	8	53	8	40	6	1200	125	1	325			
Norwood	46	36	1	1	5	5	30	270	3	2250	400	1	325			
Ophelia	26	325	2	2	27	29	6	54	285	5 1/2	3500	1	300			
Oceana	10	374	6	2	32	8	61	360	2	1500	200	1	500			
Pleasant Retreat	25	92	1	1	15	2	11	78	1	1000	30	1	500			
Raleigh	30	474	4	7	5	19	8	66	5	3300	100	1	500			
Summerville	21	173	2	2	5	5	3	15	1	400	250	1	400			
Fate Creek																
Total	765	4376	35	53	70	304	89	674	3562	49	29800	10	4475	4565	140	650

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.					Deficiencies.....	SUPPORT OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISHOPS		Total support: pastors, presby. elders and bishops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		CURRENT EXPNS'S				
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.		RECD FROM		Total.....	Church, sexton, light, fuel, etc.	Sunny school lessons, 1/4's books, etc.	Sunny school	
		Salary.....	House rent	Total.....	Salary.....	House rent							Total.....	Collections					Other sources.
Birch River	David Wilcox	150	.....	150	110	.....	110	40	24	24	1	1	135	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	
Boone	Jac W Carroll.....	400	100	500	400	100	500	.....	60	60	2	2	562	1	4	5	20	102	
Claremont	Wm L Barze, sup..	300	.....	300	240	.....	240	60	30	30	.....	.....	270	.....	.....	.....	15	2	
Clay	McClellen Reed, sup..	115	.....	115	150	.....	150	.....	30	27	1	.....	177	.....	.....	.....	25	2	
Concord	E C Conway.....	235	.....	235	200	.....	200	35	45	42	1	.....	245	1	.....	.....	25	15	
Elk River.....	R G Backus.....	375	25	400	323	25	348	52	60	60	4	2	410	.....	.....	.....	10	7	
Fayette.....	S M McKinney.....	75	.....	75	17	.....	17	58	30	21	1	1	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Flat Top.....	Chas W Stepham.....	200	25	225	149	25	174	51	50	50	2	1	215	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	
Hewett.....	B F Hill.....	250	.....	250	190	.....	190	60	40	40	.....	.....	230	2	.....	1	.....	.....	
Hinton.....	L S Grose.....	225	.....	225	96	.....	96	129	32	25	.....	1	132	2	1	3	.....	.....	
Kanawha.....	J J Reynolds.....	200	.....	200	115	.....	115	85	50	50	.....	.....	165	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
Le gan.....	E L Kidd.....	280	.....	280	190	.....	190	90	50	50	.....	.....	240	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Matrville.....	J S Jenkins.....	450	.....	450	330	.....	330	120	00	50	5	4	385	7	3	10	58	55	
Mountain Cove.....	A M Lambert.....	100	.....	100	75	.....	75	25	40	31	.....	.....	107	.....	.....	.....	50	25	
Norwood.....	W W Workman.....	320	25	345	282	25	307	38	60	60	4	1	377	.....	.....	.....	6	6	
Ophelia.....	A H Metheny, sup..	400	.....	400	200	.....	200	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Pleasant Retreat.....	F W Queen.....	350	25	375	230	25	255	120	55	49	2	1	305	2	.....	2	10	20	
Raleigh.....	J W Claypool.....	200	23	225	190	25	215	10	46	46	.....	1	262	.....	.....	.....	15	12	
Summersville.....	B D Mahone.....	525	75	600	367	75	442	188	70	65	4	4	511	4	4	8	54	36	
Tate Creek.....	Thomas Parris.....	187	.....	187	108	.....	108	79	36	20	1	.....	128	1	1	2	.....	.....	
Totals.....		5337	300	5637	3962	300	4262	1440	868	800	28	21	4886	22	18	40	273	325	
District.....	L H Jordan, P E.....																		

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

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NAMES OF CHARGES.	MISSIONS.													EDUCATION.													Episcopal fund.....
	Board of Church Extension.			S. school Union....	Tract society.....	Freedman's Aid & S. Edu. Society.	[a] Public educt'l collection.		(b) Children's Fund.	American Bible Society.	Woman's Foreign Miss. Society.	Woman's Home Mts. Society.	Total other benevolent collect'ns	General Conference Expenses	Conference claimants.												
	(a) Church....	(b) Sunday School	Total.....				[a]	[b]																			
Birch River.....	5	1	6	1					2							1											
Boone.....																											
Claremont.....	6	2	8		2		4	4							5	2											
Clay.....																											
Concord.....	5		5	1																							
Elk River.....	6	6	12	2			1	2							3												
Fayette.....	39	1	40	4			1	8							3	2											
Flat Top.....	9		9												2	1											
Hewett.....	5		5	2			1	1							1	1											
Hinton.....	15		15	3											2												
Kanawha.....	13		13	1											3	1											
Logan.....	5		5	1				1							1												
Mattville.....	5		5	1			1																				
Mountain Cove.....	20	4	24	3	1	1	2	9	5	1					10	4											
Norwood.....		5	5	1			1									1											
Ophelia.....	25	8	33	3			1	1								1											
Oceana.....																											
Pleasant Retreat.....	8		8					1							2	1											
Raleigh.....	10		10	1			1																				
Summerville.....	14	7	21	2	1	1	1	5		1					8	4											
Tate Creek.....	8		8												2												
Totals.....	198	34	232	26	4	2	16	31	7	2					40	20											

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

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MINUTES OF WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH	MEMBERS		BAPTISMS		S. SCHOOLS			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers.....	No. of full members.....	No. of local preachers.....	No. of deaths.....	No. of children baptized.	No. of adults baptized.....	No. of schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on church property.
Albrightsville.....	13	288	.....	4	1	7	7	63	299	4	5000	1	950	.....	250
Aurora.....	26	350	2	4	20	10	5	40	300	1	7000	1	1200	4000	.....
Bayard.....	40	152	1	17	23	4	4	40	225	2	2200	1	800	50	200
Blaine.....	15	276	2	4	7	7	7	58	320	.....	3600	.....	.....	.....	100
Brandonville.....	3	216	.....	4	5	2	4	33	195	4	2300	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bruceton Mills.....	31	380	.....	8	7	26	8	70	400	5	5000	1	500	20	.....
Cranesville.....	19	216	.....	3	1	.....	8	66	240	4	2000	.....	.....	.....	.....
Davis.....	4	160	.....	2	4	.....	1	17	280	1	2500	1	500	340	360
Deer Park.....	29	325	3	3	2	7	7	48	320	2	1800	1	2500	216	30
Elk Lick.....	10	111	1	2	2	1	1	7	90	.....	1900	.....	725	115	900
Etam.....	20	174	.....	3	.....	.....	5	20	100	5	2000	.....	.....	82	387
Evansville.....	42	384	.....	5	.....	18	6	65	350	6	5000	1	500	50	50
Friendsville.....	5	337	2	6	5	26	6	73	399	6	5500	1	700	184	.....
Grantsville.....	19	203	.....	3	19	2	5	38	209	4	5600	1	1300	188	20
Newburg.....	14	222	1	4	.....	4	3	28	254	2	3500	1	900	75	175
Oakland.....	3	354	1	3	24	1	2	34	330	1	8000	1	800	55	80
Parsons.....	7	98	2	.....	5	.....	3	29	227	2	2600	.....	2000	50	.....
Red Creek.....	6	100	.....	.....	2	.....	1	8	68	1	125	.....	800	16	11
Rowlesburg.....	2	227	1	3	11	6	2	30	205	2	3000	1	750	40	.....
Sinclair.....	14	252	2	7	.....	6	7	51	298	7	1600	1	300	85	.....
Terra Alta.....	10	235		2	10	10	1	16	160	1	2000	1	1200	160	
Totals.....	332	5060	17	71	142	158	93	834	5269	70	72225	17	16425	5081	2563

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OAKLAND DISTRICT.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

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NAMES OF CHARGES	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUPPORT OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISHOPS.		Total support: Pastors, pre- siding elders and bishops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS		CURRENT EXPNS'S				
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Defic'encies.....	Amount apportioned.....	Amount paid.....	Amount apportioned.....		Amount paid.....	REC'D FROM		Total.....	Church:—Sexton, light, fuel, etc.	Sunday school leaves, books, etc.	Lesson
		Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....	Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....							Collections.....	Other Sources.....				
Albrightsville.....	C W Cox	365	50	415	362	50	412	3	50	50	6	5	467	7	3	10	60	41	
Aurora.....	J L B Jones	547	60	607	514	60	574	33	52	52	4	2	628	7	0	7	50		
Bayard.....	J A Enlow.....	550	125	675	550	125	675		50	50	6	5	731	12	5	17	75	100	
Blaine.....	J A Koch.....	410		410	410		410		42	42	5	4	456	10	2	12	25	62	
Brandonsville.....	D B Orr.....	450	60	510	425	60	485	25	48	48	5	5	538	10	4	14	60	23	
Bruceton Mills.....	C A Feather.....	400	50	450	350	50	400	50	45	45	5	2	447	6	0	6	50	33	
Cranesville.....	E C Bedford.....	350	48	398	256	15	271	127	40	40	5	2	313	7	2	9	52	34	
Davis.....	A S Arnett.....	650	150	800	650	150	800		54	54	9	9	863	20		20	143	110	
Deer Park.....	E P Idleman.....	400		400	380		380	20	44	44	5	5	429	10	3	13	8	55	
Elk Lick.....	F Weaver, Jr.....	350		350	221		221	129	36	36	4	4	261	9	2	11	50		
Etam.....	Albert Engle.....	190	36	226	160	36	196	30	30	30	4	1	227	2	1	3	5	15	
Evansville.....	J N Sharp.....	400	50	450	366	50	416	34	68	68	9	3	487	7	3	10	40	30	
Friendsville.....	E R Skidmore.....	500	75	575	477	75	552	23	64	64	9	5	621	8	5	13	75	66	
Grantsville.....	T R Faulkner.....	379	50	429	363	50	413	16	52	52	6	6	471	10	4	14	36	34	
Newburg.....	C W Upton.....	500	60	560	407	60	467	93	60	60	9	5	532	15	4	19	112	60	
Oakland.....	S K Arbuthnot.....	850	200	1050	850	200	1050		70	70	14	4	1124	30	8	38	164	82	
Parsons.....	Henry E Friend.....	360	60	420	360	60	420		40	40	5	4	464	5	3	8	60	50	
Red Creek.....	M E Goodrich, Sup.....	250		250	155		155	95	30	30	5	2	187	3		3	45	20	
Rowlesburg.....	A D Perry.....	500	75	575	500	75	575		45	45	5	5	625	10	5	15	95	43	
Sinclair.....	B B Brooks.....	400	30	430	265	30	295	135	44	44	4	2	341	5	3	8	20	29	
Terra Alta.....	Geo C Shaw.....	500	125	625	500	125	625		50	50	5	3	678	7	5	12	100	80	
Totals		9301	1304	10605	8521	1271	9792	813	1014	1014	116	84	10890	200	62	262	1325	964	

BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.															
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.	Sunday School Union.	Tract Society.	Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society.	EDUCATION		American Bible Society.	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Woman's Home Missionary Society.	Total Other Benevolent Collections.	General Conference Expenses	Conference Claimants.	Episcopal Fund.
	(a)	(b)	Total.					(a)	(b)							
Albrightsville.	23	7	30	3	1	1	2	6	4		9				10	5
Aurora	23		23	4	1	1	5	5							7	2
Bayard	02	10	30	5	1	1	5		1						17	4
Blaine	28		28	5	1	1	2	13		1					12	4
Brandonville.	27	5	32	4	1	1	4	10	2						14	5
Bruceton Mills.	20		20	1			1	1							6	3
Cranesville	20	5	25	5	1	1	4	3	1	1					9	2
Davis	55	25	80	10	3	3		25	3						20	9
Deer Park.	17	4	21	4	2	1	4	7							13	5
Elk Lick.		23	23	2	1	1	2	2	1						11	
Etam	11		11	2	1	1	2	2							3	3
Evansville	32	3	35	1			1	4							10	3
Friendsville.	25	25	50	3	1	1	2	10	5	1					13	5
Greentsville	23	12	35	6	1	2	5	10	3	1					14	6
Newburg	22	6	28	4	1	2	3	6	3	1	1		1		19	5
Oakland	170	33	203	12	3	4	10	22	10	5	69			1	38	4
Parsons	10	5	15	4	1	1	3	5	2	1					3	4
Red Creek	8		8					1	1						3	3
Rowlesburg	25	15	40	5	2		5	2	1	1					15	8
Sinclair	10		10	2	1		2	6	1						8	2
Terra Alta.	20	10	30	2	1		1	3		15					12	3
Total	589	188	777	84	24	22	59	142	39	20	80	1		1	262	80

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMBERS			BAPTISMS		SUN. SCHOOLS			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers.	No. of full members.	No. of local preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children.	No. of Adults.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving church and parsonage.	Present indebtedness on Church Property.
Bellville		440	1	6	1	42	9	70	540	6	7000	1	1000	1200	
Big Bend	3	65					2	5	64	2	1000				
Cairo	5	139	1		3	4	4	34	125	3	2300			39	30
Centerville	6	300	4	4		5	3	18	180	6	2450	1	1000		
Elizabeth	12	237	2	4	1	10	4	40	350	4	4000	1	800	15	40
Ellenboro	8	425	4	4	2	10	7	70	400	8	7000	1	1200	5	55
Harrisville	4	270		4	1	2	4	32	283	3	7000	1	500		
Middlebourne	38	157				10	2	20	143	2	2500	1	500	60	
Newark	36	197	1	2		1	5	50	300	6	4050	1	200	40	
North Parkersburg	5	115	1	5			2	8	50	4	2500				
Parkersburg	53	470	1	8	5	39	1	35	415	1	42500	1	7500		
Parkersburg, Elberon		155	2	4	2	20	2	24	160	2	5000			30	
Parkersburg Circuit	35	515		5		40	6	68	390	6	5000	1	1200		
Pennsboro	9	328	4	3		12	5	70	420	5	5500			75	
Pleasants	16	160				5	5	34	216	3	800			80	
Pursley	10	250	1	2		6	5	30	200	5	3100			50	
St Mary's		158	1	3		18	5	37	269	4	4800		1500	220	700
Shiloh	15	300	1	1		8	8	50	300	8	6700	1	500	253	
Sistersville	10	177		1	1	18	1	23	175	1	2000			31	
Smithville	9	320		6		16	6	61	335	6	6200	1	400	150	
South Parkersburg	5	115		3		8	4	34	198	4	4200			55	250
Volcano	10	425	2	1	9	108	8	75	375	7	4000	1	250		350
West Union	8	113	4	1	2		2	20	145	2	3000	1	1000	120	
Williamstown		132		1		12	2	27	190	2	4000			2200	300
Total	297	5963	30	79	28	394	102	985	6223	100	136600	14	17550	4614	1435

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUPPORT OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. CF BISHOPS		Total Support—Pastors, Presiding Elders and Bishops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		CURRENT EXPENSES.				
		CL. AIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid	Amount Apportioned.		Amount Paid	REC'D FROM		Total	Church-Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc.	Sunday School—Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.	
		Salary	House Rent.	Total	Salary	House Rent.	Total							Collections.	Other Sources.				
Bellville.....	A D Adams	525	75	600	525	75	600	70	70	2	2	672	5	2	7				
Big Bend.....	D Ashby, sup.	100		100	68		68	16	16			84						3	
Cairo.....	J H Funk.....	300	72	372	274	25	299	40	40	5	5	344	10	3	13	30		32	
Centerville	P C Musgrave.....	465	75	540	465	75	540	70	70	4	2	612	12		17	50		36	
Elizabeth	O D King	360	40	400	175	40	215	60	60	5	3	273		2	2	55		20	
Ellenboro	Wm Hunter.....	500	50	550	485	50	535	70	70	6	6	611	16	5	21	65		80	
Harrisville.....	C Warman.....	400	50	510	460	50	510	70	70	7	7	583	16	5	21	90		84	
Middlebourne.....	J M Warden.....	550	50	600	550	50	600	60	60			668	20		20	50		35	
Newark.....	L D Ashby.....	400	50	450	387	50	437	65	64	7	6	507	8	4	12	76		40	
North Parkersburg.....	U Pribble.....	200		200	57		57	32	32	4	2	91	2	1	3	10		6	
Parkersburg	Frank S Townsend	1500	400	1900	1500	400	1900	180	180	25	25	2105	83	1	90	562		80	
Parkersburg, Elberon.....	Geo E Morris.....	525		525	400		400	50	50	4	2	452	3	4	7	50		60	
Parkersburg Circuit.....	W G Smith.....	600	100	700	600	100	700	92	92	16	16	808	30	6	36	175		120	
Pennsboro	A B Rohrbaugh	450	50	500	221	50	271	65	54	9	2	327	3	2	5	100		95	
Pleasants	A L Simmons, sup.	245		245	215		215	30	40	5	2	257	5		5			24	
Pursley.....	F P Dunbar.....	400		400	300		300	50	47		4	351	5	3	8				
St. Mary's	A W Ownby.....	615	100	715	570	100	670	70	62	8	1	733	10	5	15	100		70	
Shiloh	J F Arnold.....	500	50	550	549	50	590	80	80	10	4	683	3	5	8	50		30	
Sistersville.....	C Bleakley	600		600	600		600	65	65	8	3	673	25	6	31	150		85	
Smithville.....	Jacob A Hiatt.....	525	30	555	500	30	530	65	57			590	5	4	9			34	
South Parkersburg	F M Malcolm.....	525		525	436		436	89	90	5	1	467	5	4	9	20		45	
Volcano.....	T H Bunting.....	800	25	825	800	25	825	90	90	6	4	919	2	4	6	75		35	
West Union.....	W E Lovett.....	460	140	600	412	140	552	55	55	8	2	609	12	5	17	65		60	
Williamstown	G W Kepler.....	600	156	756	657	156	813	60	60	7	7	880	20	2	22	75		83	
District.....	J Lee, P E.....														9				
M. E. Times.....	D A Denton, Ed														10				
Total.....		12205	1513	13718	11206	1466	12672	1146	1565	1514	159	118	14304	300	103	403	1852		1161

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NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.															
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension	Sunday School Union	Tract Society	Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society	EDUCATION		American Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Woman's Home Missionary Society.	Total Other Benevolent Collections	General Conference Exp's.	Conference Claimants	Episcopal Fund
	(a) Church	(b) Sunday School	Total					(a) Public Educational Collection.	(b) Children's Fund							
Belleville	21		21	2				1							7	2
Big Bend	1		1													
Cairo	20	20	40	5	2	2	4	7	3	3		3			13	5
Centerville	40	10	50	4		1	4	10	6						17	2
Elizabeth	10		10		1	2	2	2							2	3
Ellenboro	35		35	2	1	1	2	10	2						21	6
Harrisville	50	20	70	3	1	1	3	23	9	6			35		21	3
Middlebourne	33	27	60	7	2	2	6	25		6					20	8
Newark	27	10	37	4	1		4	4	8						6	2
North Parkersburg	5	6	11												12	2
Parkersburg	405	150	555	34	5	5	28	25	25	40	95				3	2
Parkersburg, Elberon	15	10	25	1			1	4							90	25
Parkersburg Circuit	170	60	230	20			21	30	11	8	6				7	2
Pennsboro	10	45	55	2	5	2	1	4							36	1
Pleasants	15	10	25	1	1		2	5							5	2
Pursley	12	3	15	1	1	1	2	5							8	4
St Mary's	30	12	42	1	1	1	2	6	1	1					15	1
Shiloh	35	5	40	2	1	1	2	10	1	1	1				8	4
Sistersville	30	50	80	8	2	2	8	30	7	49					31	8
Smithville	6	10	16	3			5								4	3
South Parkersburg	14	6	20	5				2		1					9	1
Volcano	20	5	25	2			2	4		1	1		1		6	4
West Union	8	12	20	1				2							17	2
Williamstown	40	20	60	8	2	2	7	2	1		10				22	7
District.															9	
M. E Times															10	
Total	1052	491	1543	68	28	29	116	201	79	73	154	8	49	1	403	116

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'SP			BAPT'MS.		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of probationers.....	No. of full members.....	No. of local preachers.....	No. of deaths.....	No. of children baptized.	No. of adults baptized.....	No. of schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on church property.	Present indebtedness on church property.
Benwood	15	270	2	4	15	16	1	23	275	1	13000	1	3000	40	850	6200
Cam-ron	2	295	.....	5	.....	2	2	26	275	2	16000	1	2000	.....	.....	.....
Dallas.....	6	259	.....	1	4	1	.....	19	85	2	4300	1	800	5	.....	.....
Fulton.....	12	112	.....	.....	16	14	3	21	155	2	3500	.....	.....	40	45	.....
Marshall.....	.....	315	.....	5	5	6	5	56	300	4	4000	1	1000	.....	.....	.....
McMecher.....	10	120	.....	3	12	8	1	18	90	1	1500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mound-ville.....	.....	557	1	2	9	20	1	48	375	1	9000	2	6000	100	200	.....
Moundsville Circuit.....	10	400	1	5	12	41	6	76	393	7	9700	.....	.....	355	350	.....
New Martinsville.....	5	128	1	3	14	6	1	18	125	1	2000	1	2500	18	166	1015
New Martinsville Circuit.....	10	145	2	5	2	.....	5	35	300	3	900	.....	.....	.....	.....	83
Pleasant Valley.....	.....	260	1	5	.....	3	5	56	230	5	5000	.....	.....	513	10	779
Proctor.....	35	250	1	1	3	86	7	49	210	3	4200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Short Creek and Liberty.....	4	185	.....	4	6	1	2	27	225	2	8000	1	700	5	.....	.....
Silver Hill.....	22	372	.....	5	.....	20	8	90	400	9	6500	1	1000	650	75	250
Triadelphia.....	56	205	1	2	11	4	1	21	154	1	3000	1	1300	100	.....	.....
Wheeling.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chapline Street.....	5	387	.....	2	17	7	1	27	275	1	8000	1	3000	100	750	130
Fourth Street.....	25	622	1	13	22	5	1	37	326	1	60000	1	12000	.....	.....	.....
North Street.....	14	321	.....	3	51	17	1	33	325	1	13000	1	5000	150	.....	400
Thomson.....	8	328	1	3	10	6	1	37	334	1	20000	1	5000	375	1600	4200
Wesley.....	16	398	2	6	38	1	1	34	335	1	10000	.....	.....	115	864	133
Zane Street.....	5	289	2	7	45	7	1	25	250	1	14000	1	4000	466	250	720
Total	260	6218	16	79	292	268	54	776	5438	50	215600	15	47300	2895	5055	14105

WHEELING DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.							SUPPORT OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISHOPS.		Total support: Pastors, pre- siding elders and bishops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS		CURRENT EXPNS'S		
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.....	Amount apportioned.....	Amount paid.....	Amount apportioned.....	Amount paid.....		Rec'd FROM	Total.....	Church:—Sexton, light, fuel, etc.	Sunday school lesson leaves, books, etc.	
		Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....	Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....											
Benwood	J S Robinson.....	700	150	850	700	150	850	...	45	45	4	2	897	10	7	17	140	30
Cameron	J A Fullerton.....	900	200	1100	500	200	700	400	66	66	10	3	773	16	5	21	225	200
Dallas	M W Rider.....	500	75	575	460	75	535	40	78	78	9	7	616	8	2	10	75	10
Fulton	A A Kelly.....	500	...	500	554	...	554	...	21	21	2	2	577	17	5	22	85	40
Marshall.....	F H J King.....	500	100	600	500	100	600	...	75	75	2	2	677	10	5	15	160	80
McMechen	Spencer King.....	380	120	500	380	120	500	...	25	25	2	2	527	2	...	2	83	85
Moundsville	S J Cotten.....	1200	200	1400	1200	200	1400	...	115	115	17	17	1532	60	12	72	400	423
Moundsville circuit.....	D W Ruble.....	700	...	700	666	...	666	34	82	82	15	10	758	40	...	40	105	50
New Martinsville.....	E D Hanna.....	600	200	800	505	200	705	95	44	44	4	4	753	13	...	13	55	...
New Martinsville ct	J D Smith.....	300	...	300	190	...	190	110	30	30	...	...	220	...	...	...	5	10
Pleasant Valley	E E King.....	550	...	550	550	...	550	...	55	55	5	2	607	15	5	20	...	...
Proctor	V A Nanna.....	400	60	460	390	60	450	10	30	30	7	1	481	1	4	5	50	50
Short Creek & Liberty..	C H Lakin.....	600	100	700	530	100	630	70	78	78	12	10	718	29	6	35	86	35
Silver Hill.....	D F Carder.....	525	75	600	525	75	600	...	57	57	4	4	661	20	2	22	110	25
Triadelphia.....	O C Phillips.....	500	100	600	500	100	600	...	52	52	4	4	656	20	5	25	92	24
Wheeling																		
Chapline street	William Anderson.....	900	200	1100	900	200	1100	...	80	80	16	16	1196	60	9	69	225	50
Fourth street	J L Sooy.....	2500	700	3200	2500	700	3200	...	280	280	40	40	3520	226	...	226	500	175
North street.....	C B Graham	1000	240	1240	1000	240	1240	...	65	65	14	10	1315	22	8	30	300	100
Thompson church	C E Clark	1200	400	1600	1200	400	1600	...	106	106	10	10	1716	80	12	92	420	190
Wesley church	L W Roberts	850	150	1000	850	150	1000	...	48	48	5	5	1053	10	8	18	236	60
Zane Street.....	B B Evans.....	1000	250	1250	1000	250	1250	...	50	50	12	5	1305	15	...	15	300	52
Total.....		16305	3320	19625	15600	3320	18920	759	1482	1482	194	156	20558	674	95	769	3652	1689

NAMES OF CHARGES.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.															
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.	Sunday School Union.	Tract Society.	Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society.	EDUCATION		American Bible Society.	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Woman's Home Missionary Society.	Total Other Benevolent Collections.	General Conference Expenses.	Conference Claimants.	Episcopal Fund.
	(a)	(b)	Total.					(a)	(b)							
	(a)	(b)	Total.					Public Educational Collection	Children's Fund.							
Benwood	10	20	30	2	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	2
Cameron	39	20	50	2	2	2	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	21	...
Dallas	10	5	15	2	1	1	3	...	9	4	...	...	2	...	10	3
Fulton	20	...	20	1	1	1	2	5	...	1	...	...	...	2	22	...
Marshall	25	20	45	2	1	1	2	1	2	12	...	...	...	...	15	...
McMechen	20	...	20	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Moundsville	63	244	307	21	4	4	21	62	32	32	85	...	...	...	72	17
Moundsville Circuit	92	11	103	7	2	2	...	10	20	11	...	...	...	...	40	10
New Martinsville	42	...	42	5	1	1	6	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	13	4
New Martinsville Circuit	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pleasant Valley	42	8	50	5	1	...	4	...	15	12	...	...	...	...	20	2
Proctor	4	...	4	1	...	...	...	3	2	10	...	...	...	...	5	...
Short Creek and Liberty	40	26	66	12	3	3	12	10	10	2	21	...	3	...	35	10
Silver Hill	52	150	202	6	1	1	7	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	22	4
Triadelphia	49	11	60	8	1	1	8	...	...	3	1	...	...	...	25	4
Wheeling:—Chapline Street	25	100	125	22	3	3	22	45	5	10	...	...	...	...	69	16
Fourth Street	468	352	820	45	10	10	57	125	33	30	236	...	...	...	226	40
North Street	37	38	65	4	3	3	4	14	4	5	...	...	6	...	30	10
Thomson	78	72	150	12	4	4	12	5	...	11	52	...	...	...	92	10
Wesley	21	65	86	9	1	1	1	9	6	...	24	...	...	...	18	5
Zane Street	60	...	60	5	2	2	3	3	...	...	70	...	10	...	15	5
Total	1188	1142	2320	175	43	41	176	297	138	154	489	...	21	2	769	156

RECAPITULATION.

DISTRICTS.	CHURCH MEMBERS				BAPTISMS		SUN. SCHOOLS			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers.	No. of full members.	No. of local preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children.	No. of Adults.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonage.	Paid on old indebtedness on church property.	Present indebtedness on Church Property.
Buckhannon.....	610	7695	31	88	23	230	137	1187	7126	116	124595	19	15595	8899	2017	7330
Charleston.....	475	4610	39	60	30	226	184	729	5127	70	71850	15	15900	5396	744	5466
Clarksburg.....	210	5105	20	55	24	249	175	585	3960	74	104000	15	17700	10229	267	2112
Huntington.....	563	3865	35	51	65	258	188	698	4498	43	49800	10	7050	1091	1098	5353
Morgantown.....	268	5759	20	75	61	355	68	644	4423	64	97500	14	23200	2518	1067	1263
New River.....	700	4247	34	51	70	304	89	674	3562	49	29800	10	4475	4665	140	650
Oakland.....	332	5060	17	70	142	158	93	834	5269	70	72225	17	16425	5081	789	2563
Parkersburg.....	297	5963	30	79	28	394	102	935	6223	100	136600	14	17550	4614	705	1435
Wheeling.....	200	6218	16	79	292	268	54	776	5438	50	215600	15	47300	2895	5055	14105
Total this year.....	3715	48522	242	609	735	2442	787	7062	45626	636	901970	129	165195	44788	11882	40277
Total last year.....	3957	46868	256	563	794	2518	744	6896	44036	613	884096	125	161520	48810	16919	42316
Increase.....		1754		46			43	166	1590	23	17874	4	3675			
Decrease.....	242		14		59		76							4022	5037	2039

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MINUTES OF WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

DISTRICTS.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUPPORT OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISHOPS		Total Support—Pastors, Presiding Elders and Bishops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.			CURRENT EXPENSES		
	CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies	Amount Apportioned....	Amount Paid.....	Amount Apportioned....		Amount Paid.....	REC'D FROM		Total	Church—Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc.	Sunday School—Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.
	Salary	House Rent.....	Total	Salary	House Rent.....	Total							Collections.....	Other Sources.....			
Buckhannon	12137	1130	13267	10763	1130	11893	1404	1400	1380	139	107	13380	242	99	341	1226	982
Charles'ron	9850	1397	11247	8419	1327	9756	1511	1138	1044	104	79	10879	109	41	150	1235	1101
Clarksburg	8500	1592	10092	7744	1565	9279	813	1078	1032	120	90	10901	202	59	261	1033	769
Huntington	10845	991	11836	6325	991	7316	4220	1007	798	64	34	8148	76	41	117	773	702
Morgantown	8754	1755	10509	8287	1755	10042	467	1200	1200	134	108	11350	252	77	329	1304	953
New River	5337	300	5637	3962	300	4262	1440	868	800	28	21	4886	22	18	40	273	326
Oakland	9301	1304	10605	8521	1271	9792	813	1014	1014	116	84	10890	200	62	262	1325	964
Parkersburg.....	12205	1513	13718	11206	1466	12672	1146	1565	1514	159	118	14304	300	103	403	1852	1161
Wheeling	16305	3320	19625	15600	3320	18920	759	1482	1482	194	156	20558	672	95	769	3652	1689
Total this year	93234	13302	106536	80727	13125	93852	12573	10752	10264	1058	794	104913	2077	595	2672	12673	8647
Total last year	90779	12528	103307	78788	12475	91263	12198	10713	10172	996	670	1785	626	2411	15247	9238	
Increase.....	2455	774	3229	1939	650	2589	375	39	92	62	127	2808	292		261		
Decrease													31		2574	591	

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DISTRICTS.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.																
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.	S. school Union....	Tract society.....	Freedman's Aid & S. Edu. Society.	EDUCATION.		Woman's Foreign Miss. Society.	American Bible Society.	Woman's Home Miss. Society.	Total other benevolent collections	General Conference Expenses	Conference claimants.	Episcopal fund.....	
	(a) Church....	(b) Sunday School	Total					(a) Public ed ⁿ collection.	(b) Children's Fund.								
Buckhannon	956	228	1184	137	33	31	94	277	128	32	2	2	2	341	107		
Charleston.....	243	291	534	45	14	14	37	126	38	23	14	2	1	150	74		
Clarksburg	468	278	744	77	18	14	77	155	99	23	1	100	191	261	90		
Huntington	519	167	686	48	16	10	40	71	17	9	99	29	4	84	34		
Morgantown	840	373	1213	98	23	23	81	195	71	34	127	2	2	329	108		
New River	198	34	232	26	4	2	16	31	7	2	2	1	1	40	20		
Oakland	589	188	777	84	24	22	59	142	39	25	80	1	1	262	80		
Parkersburg	1052	491	1543	68	28	29	116	201	79	73	154	8	49	403	118		
Wheeling	1188	1142	2320	175	43	41	176	297	138	154	489	21	2	769	156		
Total this year.....	6053	3192	9245	758	203	186	696	1495	616	375	966	165	248	2672	797		
Total last year.....	5185	2638	7823	693	170	155	474	1330	537	269	982	25	533	2336	670		
Increase	868	554	1422	65	33	31	122	165	79	106	10	140	285	336	127		
Decrease																	

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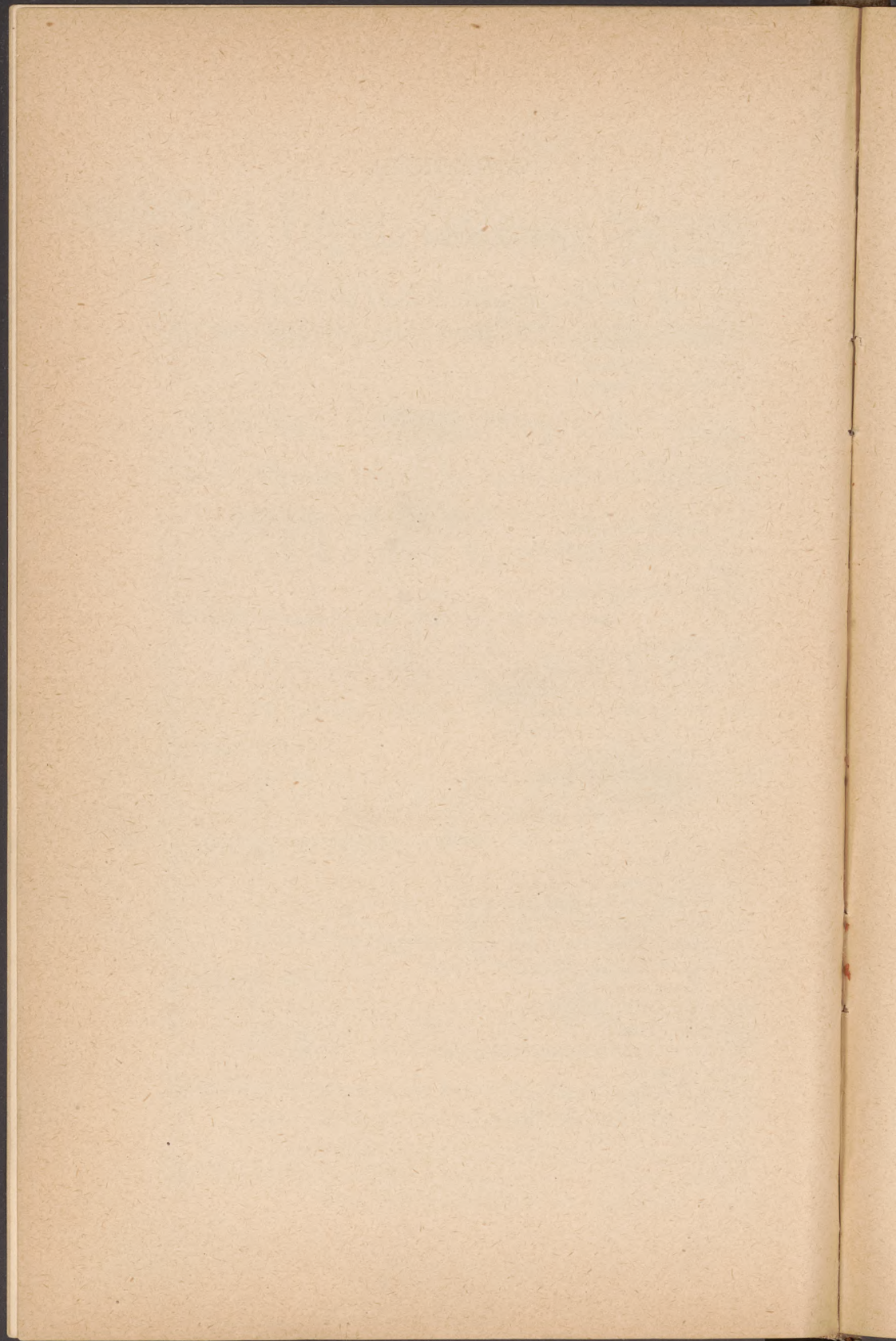
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 133 Shannon, T. H.
 136 Barze, Wm. L.
 184 Harvey, J. S.
 117 Goodrich, M. E.
 109 Farley, Rufus.
 Hagerty, W. A.
 Bowers, Larkin.

IN STUDIES IN THIRD YEAR.

- B. L. Mercer.
 B. B. Brook.
 William Fallen.
 P. C. Musgrave,
 G. E. Fuller.
 J. F. McClure.
 P. H. Hawk.
 Daniel Westfall.
 A. W. Chambers.
 B. F. Hill.
 F. B. Davis.

IN STUDIES OF FOURTH YEAR.

- W. G. Loyd.
 W. W. Workman.
 James W. Kinder.
 A. D. Garrett.
 Jesse H. Koch.
 C. H. Molony.
 Logan S. Gross.
 R. B. Backus.
 Eugene V. Weaver.
 H. C. Howard.
 E. C. Bedford.
 O. D. King.
 P. D. Fisher.
 Theophilus McCoy.
 E. P. Idleman.
 J. L. B. Jones.

SESSIONS

OF THE

WEST VIRGINIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

No.	Year.	Time.	Place.	Bishop.	Secretaries.
1	1848	July 4.....	Wheeling.....	Hamblins.....	Charles Cooke.
2	1849	October 5.....	Clarksburg.....	Waugh.....	Alexander Martin.
3	1850	June 5.....	Parkersburg.....	Janes.....	" "
4	1851	June 4.....	Charleston.....	Morris.....	" "
5	1852	June 10.....	Morgantown.....	Simpson.....	" "
6	1853	June 8.....	Weston.....	Baker.....	" "
7	1854	May 30.....	Fairmont.....	Scott.....	" "
8	1855	May 31.....	Wheeling.....	Morris.....	" "
9	1856	June 12.....	Buckhannon.....	Ames.....	S. R. Dawson.
10	1857	April 16.....	Moundsville.....	Simpson.....	" "
11	1858	April 15.....	Charleston.....	Ames.....	" "
12	1859	April 20.....	Parkersburg.....	Morris.....	" "
13	1860	March 14.....	Morgantown.....	Scott.....	" "
14	1861	March 13.....	Wheeling.....	Baker.....	Samuel Steele.
15	1862	March 12.....	Parkersburg.....	Scott.....	" "
16	1863	March 18.....	Fairmont.....	Morris.....	Alexander Martin.
17	1864	March 16.....	Parkersburg.....	Morris.....	" "
18	1865	March 8.....	Wheeling.....	Janes.....	" "
19	1866	March 21.....	Morgantown.....	Clark.....	" "
20	1867	March 14.....	Catlettsburg, Ky.....	Thomson.....	" "
21	1869	March 11.....	Moundsville.....	Kingsley.....	Samuel Steele.
22	1869	March 11.....	Clarksburg.....	Ames.....	Alexander Martin.
23	1870	March 10.....	Charleston.....	Thomson.....	J. L. Clark.
24	1871	March 9.....	Parkersburg.....	Clark.....	" "
25	1872	March 6.....	Wheeling.....	Simpson.....	" "
26	1873	March 5.....	Guyandotte.....	Andrews.....	" "
27	1874	March 11.....	Fairmont.....	Scott.....	" "
28	1875	March 3.....	Point Pleasant.....	Bowman.....	" "
29	1876	March 15.....	Wheeling.....	Harris.....	" "
30	1877	March 11.....	Grafton.....	Ames.....	" "
31	1877	October 4.....	Charleston.....	Scott.....	" "
32	1878	October 10.....	Parkersburg.....	Harris.....	G. C. Wilding.
33	1879	October 1.....	Morgantown.....	Simpson.....	" "
34	1880	October 14.....	Huntington.....	Peck.....	" "
35	1881	October 5.....	Moundsville.....	Foster.....	" "
36	1882	October 4.....	Clarksburg.....	Andrews.....	" "
37	1883	October 10.....	Wheeling.....	Harris.....	" "
38	1884	October 1.....	Buckhannon.....	Walden.....	" "
39	1885	September 24.....	Charleston.....	Merril.....	W. G. Riheldaffer.
40	1886	September 23.....	Morgantown.....	Mallalieu.....	" "
41	1887	October 6.....	Parkersburg.....	Bowman.....	" "
42	1888	September 26.....	Fairmont.....	Foster.....	" "
43	1889	September 18.....	Point Pleasant.....	Joyce.....	" "
44	1890	October 2.....	Weston.....	Foss.....	" "
45	1891	September 30.....	Wheeling.....	Warren.....	" "
46	1892	September 21.....	Huntington.....	Bowman.....	" "
47	1893	September 20.....	Grafton.....	Fitzgerald.....	T. E. Galway.
48	1894	September 12.....	Charleston.....	Foster.....	J. Engle.
49	1895	September 18.....	Buckhannon.....	Merrill.....	" "
50	1896	September 16.....	Moundsville.....	Hurst.....	" "
51	1897	September 29.....	Morgantown.....	Mallalieu.....	" "
52	1898	September 29.....	Mannington.....	Fowler.....	D. L. Ash.

MISSIONARY DEBT FUND.

Name.	Charge.	Paid.	Amount.
L. D. Ashby.....	Newark.....	Paid.....	\$20 00
C. W. Upton.....	West Union.....	Paid.....	15 00
E. D. King.....	Volcano.....	Paid.....	15 00
G. W. Kepler.....	Williamstown.....	Paid.....	20 00
C. H. Lakin.....	Marshall.....	Paid.....	20 00
G. W. Bent.....	Wadestown.....	Paid.....	20 00
H. C. Sanford.....	Smithville.....	Paid.....	10 00
A. E. Barnes.....	Knottsville.....	Paid.....	10 00
A. B. Roherbaugh.....	Cairo.....	Paid.....	10 00
E. P. Idleman.....	Grantsville.....	Paid.....	15 00
J. L. Sooy.....	Fourth St., Wheeling.....	Paid.....	326 00
G. E. Morris.....	Elkins.....	Paid.....	11 25
P. Z. Musgrave.....	Centerville.....	Paid.....	15 00
A. J. Lyda.....	Malden.....	Paid.....	75
F. H. J. King.....	Buckhannon Circuit.....	Paid.....	10 00
S. P. Crummett.....	Wesley Church.....	Paid.....	20 00
S. E. Jones.....	Morgantown Circuit.....	Paid.....	6 00
J. O. Bolton.....	Tennile.....	Paid.....	10 00
A. L. Simmons.....	.....	Paid.....	7 00
W. E. Lovett.....	Middlebourne.....	Paid.....	10 00
T. W. Wilson.....	Pennsboro.....	Paid.....	5 00
C. Warman.....	Harrisville.....	Paid.....	15 00
G. W. White.....	.....	Paid.....	5 00
William Hunter.....	Ellenboro.....	Paid.....	15 00
J. P. Strader.....	.....	Paid.....	16 25
E. L. Meadows.....	Cottageville.....	Paid.....	5 00
F. S. Townsend.....	Parkersburg.....	Paid.....	70 00
W. J. Harkness.....	Weston.....	Paid.....	12 00
G. Bleakley.....	Parkersburg Second Church.....	Paid.....	20 00
M. W. Rider.....	West Milford.....	Pledged.....	10 00
N. L. Baumgardner.....	Monongalia.....	Pledged.....	50 00
F. B. Davis.....	Shinston.....	Pledged.....	20 00
W. T. W. Sleeth.....	Duffy.....	Pledged.....	26 00
J. H. Hess.....	Buckhannon District.....	Pledged.....	20 00
E. L. Meadows.....	Cottageville.....	Pledged.....	5 00
John Biddow.....	Cameron.....	Pledged.....	20 00
P. C. Mays.....	Belington.....	Pledged.....	11 00
A. Cameron.....	Morgantown.....	Pledged.....	20 00
A. Mick.....	Buckhannon.....	Pledged.....	23 00
A. E. Barnes.....	Knottsville.....	Pledged.....	10 00
H. B. Bowden.....	Sistersville.....	Pledged.....	15 00
T. W. Chidester.....	South Buckhannon.....	Pledged.....	15 00
D. L. Ash.....	Moundsville.....	Pledged.....	20 00

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C. B. Graham.—Larger Catechism, Scripture History, Discipline, Doctrinal Aspects of Christian Experience, Life of Wesley.

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FIRST YEAR.

F. S. Townsend.—Harman's Introduction, Outlines of Universal History, Exegetical Study in English, New Testament, Essays.

H. Scott.—Plain Account of Christian Perfection, Principles of Rhetoric, Syllabi.

L. N. Coffield.—Systematic Theology, Vol. I., Theory and Practice of Extemporaneous Preaching, Sermons.

SECOND YEAR.

F. N. Lynch.—Outlines of Universal History, Discipline of the M. E. Church, Syllabi.

E. D. Hanna.—Exegesis in Pauline Epistles and English, New Testament, Logic, Sermons.

G. D. Smith.—Harman's Introduction, Systematic Theology Vol. II., Essays.

THIRD YEAR.

William Anderson.—Biblical Hermeneutics, Exegetical Studies in the Pentateuch and Isaiah, Syllabi.

W. J. Harkness.—Elements of Psychology, Sermons, Essays.

J. W. Claypool.—The Supernatural Book, History of the Christian Church Vol. I.

FOURTH YEAR.

J. L. Sooy.—Exegetical Studies in Isaiah, Pentateuch and Isaiah.

A. S. Arnett.—History of Christian Church Vol. II., Manual of Christian Evidence, Syllabi.

S. K. Arbuthnot.—Butler's Analogy, Sermons.

S. J. Miller.—Theological Encyclopaedia and Methodology, Essays.

For Orders.—Local Deacons and Local Elders; R. B. Ward, A. Mick.

Whenever studies occur in regular course candidates will be examined with regular classes.

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BISHOP'S CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

This certifies that I have this day ordained the following Deacons in the Church of God: William Fallen, John F. McClure, Perry H. Hawk, Daniel Westfall, Arthur W. Chambers, Forbes B. Davis, Benjamin F. Hall, Pinkney C. Musgrave, George E. Fuller, Columbus C. Lanham, Charles J. Baker, B. F. Charlton, A. B. Parsons, McClelland Reed, James B. Cook, Phillip W. Scrader, George S. Baggett. And assisted by several Elders, I have this day ordained the following Elders: James W. Engle, George E. Morris, W. T. W. Sleeth, Henry W. Strader, C. E. Feather, James M. Kinder.

Done at Mannington, W. Va., October 2, 1898.

C. H. FOWLER.

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SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND TRACTS.—Levi Cross, H. L. Poling, W. W. Workman, D. W. Ruble, H. K. Riffe, F. G. W. Ford, Daniel Westfall, C. W. Upton.

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LOANS FROM EDUCATIONAL FUNDS.—Discontinued.

PRESIDING ELDERS' ACCOUNTS.—P. C. Mays, J. F. Arnold, A. A. Kelly, A. D. Perry, P. O. Fisher, W. Fallen, L. D. Bryan, M. Taylor, V. A. Nanna.

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PROGRAMME SPECIAL SERVICES.

WEDNESDAY, 7:30 p. m.—Missionary Anniversary. Rev. A. B. Leonard, D. D., A. B. Riker, D. D.

THURSDAY, 7:30 p. m.—Freedman's Aid Southern Educational Society. M. B. C. Mason, D. D.

FRIDAY, 3:30 p. m.—Missionary Sermon. Rev. J. W. Claypool.
7:30 p. m. Church Extension Anniversary. Rev. A. G. Kynett.

SATURDAY, 7:30 p. m.—Educational Anniversary. Rev. S. L. Boyers, M. A.

SUNDAY, 9:00 a. m.—Conference Love Feast. Rev. F. N. Lynch.
10:30 a. m. Sermon by Bishop C. H. Fowler, D. D., LL. D. 3:30 p. m. Ordination of Deacons and Elders. 4:30 p. m. Memorial Service.

JOURNAL.

FIRST DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Mannington, W. Va., Sept. 29, 1898.

The West Virginia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in its fifty-second session in the new M. E. Church in Mannington, W. Va., at 9:00 a .m., with Bishop C. H. Fowler, D. D., LL. D., presiding.

The Bishop announced the Hymn beginning, "And are we yet alive and see each other's faces?" The Conference joined heartily in the song. The Bishop read for his Scripture lesson the 13th Chapter of 1st Cor., making some very pointed comments on the lesson as he read. He then offered a fervent prayer. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the presiding elders, which was a very interesting service.

The Secretary of the last Conference, J. Engle, called the Conference roll and 188 answered to their names.

D. L. Ash, J. Engle and R. B. Ward were nominated for secretary. The first ballot resulted in no election. The second ballot resulted in the election of D. L. Ash, and he nominated as his assistants, C. B. Graham, F. N. Lynch and Wm. Anderson. S. J. Miller was nominated for Journal Secretary. The nominations were confirmed by the Conference.

S. P. Crummett was, by acclamation, elected Statistical Secretary, and he nominated for his assistants, J. C. Strader, A. A. Kelley, H. C. Howard, G. U. Balsley and A. W. Ownby.

A. S. Arnett and C. B. Graham were nominated for Conference Treasurer. A ballot was ordered and resulted in the election of A. S.

Arnett, who nominated Forbes B. Davis, J. W. Engle and Geo. E. Morris for assistants.

The Bishop announced the transfer of Rev. Simon L. Boyers, A. M., from the Central Ohio Conference to this Conference, and Bro. Boyers was called forward and introduced to the Conference. He spoke at some length in the interest of the Seminary.

The list of standing committees was read and adopted.

The committee appointed at last Conference to report on the one per cent plan, made their report, and on motion the report was received and adopted. (See report.) R. B. Ward was elected treasurer of the pastor's one per cent fund. It was ordered that when the pastors make their report that they report the amounts for Missions and Conference claimants, and state whether or not all the collections had been taken.

On motion of J. H. Hess, S. L. Boyers was placed on the educational committee as an ex-officio member.

10:30 was fixed as the special hour to-morrow morning for passing upon the class in the second year's course of study.

The Thirteenth Question: "Was the character of each preacher examined?" was taken up, and Buckhannon District was called. After the character of J. H. Hess, Presiding Elder, was passed, he read the report of his District. The names of the following effective Elders were called, their characters passed, and they reported their collections: G. E. Ward, P. C. Mays, J. W. Engle, A. Mick, J. A. Marteny, C. B. Meredith, T. W. Chidester, G. D. Smith, J. O. Bolton, W. J. Harkness, P. L. Bent, B. W. Hutchinson, G. Rogers.

Charleston District was called and after the passage of his character, D. S. Hammond, Presiding Elder, read the report of his District.

The Bishop introduced Dr. S. F. Upham, of Drew Theological Seminary; Dr. C. W. Smith, editor of the Pittsburg Christian Advocate, and Dr. M. C. B. Mason, Secretary Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society, and each in turn addressed the Conference in the interest of the special work he represented.

On motion, the time for opening the Conference sessions was fixed at 8:30 a. m., 30 minutes being given to devotional services, business session beginning at 9:00 and closing at 12:00 m.

Dr. A. Cameron was appointed to conduct the devotional services to-morrow morning.

Moved, that when we adjourn to-day that we adjourn to meet at 2:00 o'clock this afternoon for the purpose of gathering the statistical reports. Carried.

The Bishop appointed Dr. A. J. Lyda to preside at the afternoon session. Doxology was sung, and Dr. Upham pronounced the Benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2:00 p. m. the Conference assembled and was called to order by Dr. Lyda, who was in the chair.

The devotional exercises were conducted by C. B. Graham, who announced Hymn 728. After singing and reading the 6th Chapter of Galations, Bro. Graham offered prayer.

The roll of the charges was called by Districts, and as the names of the pastors were called they came forward and deposited their reports.

Dr. A. B. Riker addressed the Conference in the interest of the West Virginia Conference Camp Meeting Association.

On motion the Conference adjourned. Benediction by Rev. H. C. Sanford.

SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Mannington, W. Va., Sept. 30, 1898.

Devotional Exercises.—At 8:30 a. m., Rev. A. Cameron conducted devotional services in which a goodly number took part.

At 9:00 a. m., Bishop Fowler took the chair and proceeded with the business of the Conference. Minutes of first day's sessions were read, corrected and approved. Question 13 was resumed, and the following named effective Elders were called: E. L. Meadows, J. M. Grose, A. J. Lyda, G. W. Alley, W. J. Holt, C. J. Trippett, was reported as having died during the year: J. J. White, H. K. Riffe and A. J. L. Curtis, and those present reported. The committee reported,

the Presiding Elders recommended, and the following named were advanced in their course of study:

Gilbert R. Williamson, Wm. D. Reed, O. A. Kelley, W. H. Mahon, W. M. Kinsley, H. V. Kingsley, A. M. Grimes, Thomas H. Shannon, Wm. L. Barze; John S. Harvey, Mertron E. Goodrich, Rufus F. Farley and James B. Woodyard were advanced to the second year.

George A. Shahan was continued in the class of the first year. W. W. Burton was reported as at school. He was credited with his written work and continued on trial and in first year's course.

Benjamin F. Howell's name was called, and was continued in the first year.

Hiram L. Poling's name appeared on trial by mistake, and by a vote of the Conference the error of the record was corrected, so that his name appear among the full members of the Conference.

A. L. Ireland, Charles W. Stephan and Wm. E. Craig were continued in the first year.

On motion of J. H. Hess, it was ordered that the students in our Church Schools shall be credited on examinations by certificates of work done by them in such schools.

Dr. W. V. Kelley, editor of the Methodist Review, was introduced to the Conference, and in a brief talk presented the character of the Review and its importance to the ministers.

The order of the day was taken up and the Fifth Question: "Who are in the studies in the second year?" The class was called forward and the Bishop delivered an address of great power, replete with practical truths which will bear fruit for God and Methodism in years to come. The usual disciplinary questions were asked and answered satisfactorily, and the following members reported their charges, represented by their Presiding Elders, were elected to Deacon's Orders and admitted into full connection: Wm. Fallen, Pinkney C. Musgrave, Geo. E. Fuller, John F. McClure, Perry H. Hawk, Daniel Westfall, A. W. Chambers, Forbes B. Davis and Charles E. Feather.

Benj. F. Hill reported his charge and his case was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations, and to be reported to the Conference to-morrow morning.

Wm. A. Haggerty continued on trial in the second year's course, to be left without an appointment to attend school.

Wm. G. Loyd, a Deacon, was admitted into full connection and advanced to the fourth year's course of study.

Larkin Bowers was continued on trial in second year's course, and to be left without appointment to attend school.

Dr. A. B. Leonard, Secretary of the Missionary Society, was introduced to the Conference.

The Bishop reported a draft from Book Concern of \$993.00 dividend. Also a draft of \$22.00 from Chartered Fund, both of which were referred to the Board of Stewards.

The Bishop announced as the apportionment to the West Virginia Conference for General Conference expenses of 1900, \$1,182.00, and the same was referred to the Presiding Elders with power to apportion to the Districts.

The names of the following brethren, W. W. Workman, L. D. Bryan, J. A. Fullerton, E. C. Woodruff were referred to the Board of Stewards for consideration. B. L. Mercer, W. C. Rogers, F. G. W. Ford, A. J. Lyda, F. M. Malcom were granted superannuated relations and referred to the Board of Stewards.

C. W. Upton was appointed to conduct the devotional services to-morrow morning.

The Statistical Secretary and the Conference Treasurer called the lists of delinquents.

J. W. Carroll was added to the Board of Stewards.

Announcements were made, and on motion Conference adjourned, with the Benediction, by Dr. Leonard.

THIRD DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Mannington, W. Va., Oct. 1, 1898.

Devotional Services, conducted by C. W. Upton, commencing at 8:30 a. m., participated in by many of the Conference.

Bishop Fowler took the chair at 9:00 a. m.

Minutes of previous session read, corrected and approved.

The Secretary read a telegram from the W. C. T. U. State Convention, in session at Charleston, sending greetings to the Conference. The Conference ordered the Secretary to send a suitable response.

Benjamin F. Hill was elected to Deacon's Orders, received into full connection and advanced in his course of study.

The accounts of "The World-Wide Missions" were placed in the hands of E. R. Skidmore for collection.

Committee on Home Missions were appointed as follows:

Buckhannon District—A. Mick.

Clarksburg District—C. R. Shackelford.

Clarksburg District—F. B. Davis.

Huntington District—H. C. Howard.

Morgantown District—G. C. Shaw.

New River District—J. W. Claypool.

Oakland District—R. B. Ward.

Parkersburg District—F. S. Townsend.

Wheeling District—John Beddow.

Deacons of second year and in the fourth year's course of study were called, and those present reported their charges, and the following were elected to Elder's Orders: James W. Engle, George E. Morris, W. T. W. Sleeth, Henry M. Strader and Charles E. Feather.

W. W. Workman, who was placed upon the superannuated roll yesterday, was continued in the fourth year's course.

James M. Kinder was continued in the fourth year's course, and was elected to Elders Orders under the Missionary Rule.

Addison D. Garrett and Logan S. Grose were continued in the fourth years course.

Deacons of First Class and in studies of the third year. The class were called and those present reported their charges and Committee of Examination, and Presiding Elders representing, the following were advanced to the fourth year:

Jesse H. Koch, Charles H. Molony, Rufus B. Backus, Eugene Weaver, H. C. Howard, Elias C. Bedford, O. D. King, Perry D. Fisher, Theophilus McCoy, E. P. Idleman and J. L. B. Jones.

B. L. Mercer and Benson B. Brooks were continued in the third year.

The Thirteenth Question, "Was the character of each preacher examined," was resumed.

Clarksburg District was called and J. Engle, Presiding Elder, character passed and he read his report.

The following effective Elders were called, their characters passed and they made reports: L. S. Carter, Cyrus Poling, N. B. Johnson, D. A. Friend, W. R. Hennen, W. B. King, L. N. Coffield, Taylor Richmond, J. F. Arnold, T. G. Meredith, M. W. Rider, G. W. Grimes.

When the name of J. Hiatt was called, on motion he was allowed to withdraw with his credentials, and the Secretray was instructed to write opposite his name, "Withdrawn."

Columbus C. Lanham, C. J. Baker and B. F. Charlton were elected to Local Deacon's Orders.

Huntington District was called. J. W. Bedford, Presiding Elder, after his character was passed, read his report.

The characters of the following effective Elders were passed and they reported their collections: W. S. Nicholson, S. M. Day, F. W. Queen, B. D. Mahone, H. Scott and J. B. Workman.

When the name of S. K. Arbuthnot was called, the Presiding Elder asked that he be appointed to a chaplaincy in the U. S. Army.

The Presiding Elder of Morgantown District, S. J. Cotton, was called, his character passed and he read his report.

The characters of the following effective Elders were passed and they reported their collections: T. M. Cain, G. H. Williams, F. N. Lynch, F. G. W. Ford, A. E. Barnes, U. S. G. Carroll, M. Knotts, N. L. Baumgardner, A. Cameron, S. J. Miller, S. E. Jones, G. C. Shaw, A. A. Kelley, W. C. Rogers and G. W. Bent.

When the name of C. E. Shaw was called, the Presiding Elder asked that he be allowed to withdraw and retain his credentials. The Secretary was instructed to write in the Minutes opposite his name, "Withdrawn."

The character of L. H. Jordan, Presiding Elder, of New River District, was passed and he read his report.

The characters of the following effective Elders were passed and they reported their collections: L. D. Bryan, J. W. Claypool and J. W. Carroll, E. C. Coneway.

The character of L. W. Roberts, Presiding Elder of Oakland District, was passed and he read his report.

The following effective Elders were called, their characters passed and they reported their collections: H. E. Friend, J. H. Enlow, A. S. Arnett, J. H. Funk, J. N. Sharp, E. R. Skidmore, C. E. Leatherby, R. B. Ward, C. W. Cox and J. M. Warden.

The character of Joseph Lee, Presiding Elder of Parkersburg District, was passed and he read his sixth report.

The characters of the effective Elders were passed, and they made their reports, who were as follows: A. B. Rohrbaugh, A. D. Adams, Wm. Hunter, C. Warman, W. E. Lovett, L. D. Ashby, F. S. Townsend, Gregory Bleakley, T. H. Bunting, T. W. Wilson, Marion Taylor, H. B. Bowden, H. C. Sanford, E. D. W. King, G. W. Kepler, C. W. Upton, D. A. Denton, editor of Methodist Episcopal Times; F. P. Dunbar, and W. G. Smith, Financial Secretary of the Conference Seminary; A. W. Ownby.

The character of A. Moore, Presiding Elder of Wheeling District, was passed, and he read his report.

The effective Elders were called, their characters passed and they made their reports of collections, who were as follows: J. S. Robinson, John Beddow, V. A. Nanna, C. H. Lakin, Spencer King, D. L. Ash, D. W. Ruble, E. D. Hanna, D. F. Carder, O. C. Phillips, Wm. Anderson, J. L. Sooy, C. B. Graham, C. E. Clark, B. B. Evans, F. D. T. Bickley, E. E. King and S. P. Crummett.

F. M. Marple was, on his own request, granted a certificate of location.

C. S. Hughes' character passed, and he was left without an appointment, to attend school.

The proposition of Equal Lay Representation, submitted by the Rock River Conference, was read and a vote was taken, which resulted in 102 affirmative, and 22 negative.

On motion it was ordered that when we adjourn it be to meet again at 2:00 p. m.

The Twentieth Question was called, "Where shall the next Conference be held?" F. S. Townsend put Parkersburg in nomination, and it was accepted by a unanimous vote.

Dr. A. B. Leonard addressed the Conference in the interest of the Missionary Cause.

On motion, the time of the Conference session was extended.

The Bishop appointed A. B. Rohrbough to conduct the devotional exercises at this afternoon's session, and C. H. Lakin to preside. N. L. Baumgardner was appointed to conduct the devotional services Monday morning.

Dr. D. H. Moore, editor of the Western Advocate, and Dr. J. F. Berry, editor of the Epworth Herald, were introduced to the Conference.

On motion of L. H. Jordan, McClelland Reed was admitted on trial and elected to Deacon's Orders under the Missionary Rules.

On motion of J. W. Bedford, the same order was made in the case of James B. Cook, and on motion of J. H. Hess, the same order obtained in the case of Phillip W. Shrader.

Announcements were made and Benediction pronounced by Dr. D. H. Moore.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session was opened at 3:00 o'clock, with C. H. Lakin in the chair. A. B. Rohrbough conducted the devotional services.

The chairman then called for reports and the Committee on Church Extension reported. The report was adopted. (See report.)

A. B. Rohrbough read the report on Temperance, and after some remarks the report was adopted. (See report.)

Dr. Fullerton moved that the Conference memorialize the President of the United States, requesting him to use his influence to abolish the army canteen. Carried.

Dr. Bickley moved that a special committee be appointed to draft a suitable memorial. Carried, and on motion, Drs. Sooy, Fullerton and Bickley were appointed as that committee.

Committee on Missions reported and the report was adopted, (see report).

F. N. Lynch read the report of the Camp Meeting Board, which nominated the following: T. B. Stephens, C. B. Graham, J. H. Hess,

T. Richmond, David Dick, D. S. Hammond, to be elected Trustees of the Conference Camp Meeting. They were elected.

T. B. Stephenson to take the place of S. K. Arbutnot.

The report of the committee on Freedman's Aid and Southern Education was submitted and adopted. (See report.)

Committee on Epworth League reported, and was adopted. (See report.)

The Bishop came in and took the chair and proceeded with the business.

Twenty-second Question, "Who are the supernumerary preachers?" J. S. Jenkins, D. B. Orr, R. L. Woodyard, N. H. Prince, Levi Cross, E. C. Woodruff, S. D. Tamblin, S. T. Westfall, D. Upton and J. A. Fullerton were continued in their present relation.

J. C. Morris was granted a superannuated relation.

Twenty-third Question, "Who are the superannuated ministers?" J. B. Feather, T. E. Faulkner, U. Prible, Thomas Cotton, W. W. Kelley, A. A. Nichols, Gideon Martin, R. S. Welch, Benjamin Ison, W. J. Sharpes, J. T. Carroll, V. Sanford, Benjamin Darlington, John Conwell, B. F. Rogers, A. Stephens, W. D. Carrico, A. T. Morriston, Wm. Weston, G. W. Matheny, J. T. Davis, J. A. Hammond, W. H. Shaw, J. J. Dolliver, John Birkett, J. L. Clark and Moore McNeal. Their characters passed and they were continued in their present relation.

Benjamin Hager was reported as having died during the year.

On motion of J. H. Hess, the Conference requested the transfer of D. H. K. Dix, of the Des Moines Conference, to this Conference, and the Bishop announced his transfer and his name was added to the list of superannuated.

On motion of S. J. Cotton, George S. Baggett was received on trial and elected to Deacon's Orders under the Missionary Rule.

The report of the Committee on Periodicals was read and adopted, as also were the reports of the Committees on Parsonage and Furniture, and District Conference Journals.

Recognition of Orders.—W. N. Stephens, of the Union Baptist Church, was recognized as a local Elder. The orders of M. F. Pritchard, of the United Brethren Church, were recognized and he was

admitted into full connection, excused from course of study, and his name was ordered placed on the roll of effective Elders.

Dr. Moore, of the Western Advocate, and Dr. J. F. Berry, of the Epworth Herald, addressed the Conference.

On motion, it was ordered that when we adjourn that it be to meet at 8:00 a. m. on Monday.

A resolution of endorsement of the Children's Home at Charleston, was read by C. B. Graham, and was adopted. (See resolution.)

Fourth Question, "Who have been received on trial?" Hiarm P. Williams, of the Huntington District; Wm. M. Schultz, of the Oakland District, were received on trial.

J. W. Bedford read a resolution pertaining to Church Federation, which was adopted by a vote of 64 for to 2 against. (See resolution.)

On motion J. Lee, Secretary and Treasurer of the Conference Educational Society, was directed to turn over to the Conference Seminary Treasurer all notes and papers in his possession to be used for the Seminary.

On motion of D. S. Hammond, A. B. Parsons, a local preacher, was elected to Deacon's Orders.

On motion, Conference adjourned. Benediction by Bishop Fowler.

FOURTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Mannington, W. Va., Oct. 3, 1898.

The Conference convened at 9:00 a. m., with the Bishop in the chair.

Devotional services were conducted by N. L. Baumgardner.

The Journal of Saturday's sessions was read and approved, after being corrected.

B. C. Bartlebaugh, an Elder in the Church of God, was introduced to the Conference and after satisfactory answers given to disciplinary questions, he was recognized as a local Elder.

A resolution endorsing the appeal of J. W. Bedford, Presiding

Elder of Huntington District, for \$2,000, to enable him to build churches in the destitute part of his District, was read and adopted.

The Statistical Secretary made his report and it was adopted. (See statistical table.)

The Conference Treasurer reported, and report was adopted.

On motion it was ordered that when a discrepancy appear between the reports of the Statistical Secretary and Treasurer, that the figures of the Treasurers report be accepted.

C. Poling read the report of the Board of Stewards and on motion the report was adopted and the money disbursed.

A resolution touching upon the decrease of the Conference Claimant Fund, and an appeal for a more liberal collection another year, was offered by C. Poling, which resolution was adopted. (See resolution.)

The Committee on Sabbath Observance reported, and report was adopted.

F. S. Townsend read the report of the Board of Control of the M. E. Times, and report was adopted.

Committees on Presiding Elder's Accounts, Sunday School Union and Tracts, and Episcopal Fund were read and approved.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to provide R. B. Ward, the Treasurer of the One Per Cent Fund, with suitable envelopes for all such monies, so that the one per cent should be kept separate from the Conference Claimant Fund.

The Secretary was instructed to communicate with the proper authorities of the Oklahoma Conference with a view of obtaining information concerning Rev. G. W. Fitzwater, who at one time was a Local Deacon in the bounds of the West Virginia Conference.

On motion the Bishop was requested to appoint Gilbert Rogers, Tract Agent for West Virginia Conference.

Dr. Bickley and others offered complimentary resolutions to Bishop Fowler, and were adopted by a rising vote.

It was moved that the Conference respectfully request the Board of Bishops, if consistent with their plans, to open the next session of the West Virginia Conference on Thursday morning, so that two days prior to the opening of the Conference may be devoted to class examinations.

The Secretary was requested to notify Bishop E. G. Andrews, Secretary of the Board of Bishops, of this request.

Complimentary resolutions to the citizens and banks of Mannington, the railroads for favors shown, to W. B. King, pastor of the M. E. church at Mannington, and to Joseph Lee and G. W. Grimes, who were transferred to other Conferences; to J. Engle and his assistant Secretaries, for last year's work on the Conference minutes.

C. Warman, in a very neat speech, in behalf of the pastors of the Parkersburg District, presented J. Lee, the retiring Presiding Elder, with a handsome and substantially bound volume of Dr. Strong's Complete Concordance and Hymnal of the M. E. Church. Bro. Lee was somewhat surprised and responded feelingly.

Dr. J. L. Sooy read the report of the Directors of the Permanent Trust Fund Association. The report was adopted.

On motion of L. H. Jordan, the Secretary was requested to procure of Dr. W. V. Kelley, editor of the Methodist Review, the loan of a pamphlet or tract on the Sabbath Day question and Seventh Day Adventist, for publication in the M. E. Times.

On motion it was ordered that when we adjourn that it be to meet at 4:00 p. m. this afternoon.

F. H. J. King was appointed to conduct the opening services at the afternoon session. Announcements were made, and Benediction by the Bishop.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met at 4:00 o'clock, Bishop Fowler in the chair.

F. H. J. King conducted the devotional services.

The Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Conference authorized the Bishop to furnish T. W. Chidester with a new set of parchments.

The Secretary of the Cabinet read the list of Cabinet appointments and they were approved.

R. A. Regar was elected Secretary and Treasurer of the Conference Educational Society.

The Bishop announced the following committee to examine contract with the M. E. Times: A. J. Clark, T. P. Jacobs, A. Moore, S. P. Crummett.

J. Engle read the Presiding Elder's report on the appropriation of the missionary money to the various charges.

Resolutions of respect to B. W. Hutchinson were read and adopted.

The Presiding Elders nominated and the Conference elected the following as members of the Board of Control of M. E. Times: Hon. T. P. Jacobs, A. Cameron, to fill unexpired term of S. K. Arbuthnot, F. S. Townsend; to fill unexpired term of A. B. Riker, B. B. Evans.

Conference roll was called and subscriptions were taken for the Conference Minute Fund.

On motion a collection was taken for the benefit of the Conference Secretary, which resulted in \$13.93.

A collection was taken for for the benefit of the janitor. Result, \$6.00.

On motion, after reading the Journal and appointments and suitable closing remarks by the Bishop, that the Conference adjourn sine die. Benediction by the Bishop.

C. H. FOWLER, Chairman.

D. L. ASH, Secretary.

DISCIPLINARIAN QUESTIONS.

1. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conferences? Simon L. Boyers, Central Ohio Conference; M. F. Compton, New York East Conference; M. D. Nutter, Wilmington Conference; Larkin Bowers, Virginia Conference; D. H. K. Dix, Demoins Conference, and S. V. Leech, Kansas Conference.

3. Who have been received on credentials, and from what churches? M. F. Pritchard, Elder United Brethren Church.

4. Who have been received on trial?

(a) In Studies of First Year.—George S. Baggett, Hiram P. Schultz, McClelland Reed, Phillip W. Shrader, James B. Cook.

5. Who have been continued on trial?

(a) In Studies of First Year.—George A. Shahan, William W. Burton, Benjamin F. Howel, A. L. Ireland, Charles W. Stephan, William E. Craig.

(b) In Studies of Second Year.—Gilbert R. Williamson, William D. Reed, O. A. Kelley, W. H. Mahon, W. M. Kinsley, H. V. Kingsley, A. M. Grimes, Thomas H. Shannon, Wm. L. Barze, John S. Harvey, Mertron E. Goodrich, Rufus Farley, James B. Woodyard, Wm. A. Hagerty, Larkin Bowers.

6. Who have been discontinued? None.

7. Who have been admitted into full membership?

(a) Elected and Ordained Deacons This Year.—William Fallen, John F. McClure, Perry H. Hawk, Daniel Westfall, Arthur W. Chambers, Forbes B. Davis, Benjamin F. Hill, Wm. G. Loyd, Pinkney C. Musgrave, George E. Fuller.

(b) Elected and Ordained Deacons Previously.—Wm. G. Loyd.

8. What members are in Studies of Third Year? Bertram L. Mercer, Benson B. Brooks, William Fallen, Pinkney C. Musgrave, George E. Fuller, John F. McClure, Perry H. Hawk, Daniel Westfall, Arthur W. Chambers, Benjamin F. Hill.

9. What members are in Studies of Fourth Year? Wm. G. Loyd, W. W. Workman, James W. Kinder, Addison V. Garrett, Logan S. Grose, Jesse H. Koch, Charles H. Malony, Rufus B. Backus, Eugene V. Weaver, H. C. Howard, Elias C. Bedford, Ossie D. King, Perry D. Fisher, Theophilus McCoy, E. P. Eidleman, J. L. B. Jones.

10. What members have completed the Conference Course of Study?

(a) Elected and Ordained Elders This Year.—James W. Engle, George E. Morris, W. T. W. Sleeth, Henry W. Strader, C. E. Feather.

11. What others have been elected and ordained Deacons?

(a) As Local Preachers.—Columbus C. Lanham, Charles J. Baker, Benjamin F. Charlton, A. B. Parsons.

(b) Under Missionary Rule.—McClelland Reed, James B. Cook, Phillip W. Shrader, George S. Bagget.

12. What others have been elected and ordained Elders?
 - (b) Under Missionary Rule.—James W. Kinder.
13. Was the Character of each Preacher Examined? This was done in open Conference.
14. Who have been transferred, and to what Conference? B. W. Hutchinson, Genesee Conference; Joseph Lee, New York East Conference; G. W. Grimes, Kansas Conference.
15. Who have died? C. J. Tripett, Benjamin Hager.
16. Who have been located at their own request? F. M. Marple.
17. Who have been located? None.
18. Who have withdrawn? C. E. Shaw, Jacob Hiatt.
19. Who have been permitted to withdraw under charges or complaints? None.
20. Who have been expelled? None.
21. What other personal notation should be made?
21. What other personal notation should be made? N. W. Stephens, Local Elder from Union Baptist Church; B. C. Bartlebaugh, Local Elder, Church of God.
22. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers? J. S. Jenkins, D. B. Orr, R. L. Woodyard, N. H. Prince, Levi Cross, E. C. Woodruff, S. D. Tamblin, S. T. Westfall, D. Upton, J. A. Fullerton, L. D. Bryan.
23. Who are the Superannuated Preachers? B. L. Mercer, W. C. Rogers, F. G. W. Ford, A. J. Lyda, J. C. Morris, J. B. Feather, U. Prible, Thomas Cotton, W. W. Kelley, A. A. Nichols, Gideon Martin, R. S. Welsh, B. Ison, W. J. Sharps, J. T. Carroll, V. Sanford, B. Darlington, John Conwell, A. Stephens, W. D. Carrico, A. T. Morriston, Wm. Wriston, J. T. Davis, J. A. Hammond, W. H. Shaw, J. J. Dolliver, John Birkett, J. L. Clark, Moore McNeal, D. H. K. Dix, F. M. Malcom, B. F. Rogers.
24. Who are the triers of Appeals? T. W. Chidester, C. R. Shackelford, Taylor Richmond, W. S. Nicholson, S. E. Jones, S. P. Crummett.

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25. What is the Statistical Report for this year? See statistical table.
 26. What is the aggregate of the benevolent collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?
 27. What are the claims on the Conference Fund? \$8,757.00.
 28. What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied? \$3,746.87. See Steward's report.
 29. Where are the Preachers stationed? See list of appointments.
 30. Where shall the next Conference be held? Parkersburg, W. Va.

APPOINTMENTS OF THE PREACHERS.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT, No. 1.

J. H. Hess, Presiding Elder- -6. P. O. - -Buckhannon, W. Va.

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preachers.	Postoffice.	County & State.
2	Addison	3	George E. Ward	Addison	Webster, W. Va.
3	Auburn	2	W. G. Loyd	Auburn	Ritchie, "
4	Barbour		S. T. Westfall, sup	Bellington	Barbour, "
5	Bellington	3	P. C. May	Bellington	Barbour, "
6	Beverly	1	G. R. Williamson	Beverly	Randolph, "
7	Buckhannon	4	Asbury Mick	Buckhannon	Upshur, "
8	Buckhannon Circuit	2	F. H. J. King	Buckhannon	Upshur, "
9	Camdon	2	P. L. Bent	Camdon	Lewis, "
10	Cleveland		I. L. Marple, sup	Cleveland	Webster, "
11	Cowan		C. C. Lanham, sup	Cowan	Webster, "
12	Cutlippsville		H. H. Shaw, sup	Copen	Braxton, "
13	Duffy	2	W. T. W. Sleeth	Duffy	Lewis, "
14	East Buckhannon	2	Martin Talbott	Buckhannon	Upshur, "
15	Elkins	1	W. J. Holt	Elkins	Randolph, "
16	Flatswood	1	J. M. Grose	Flatwoods	Braxton, "
17	Freemansburg	2	J. A. Martony	Freemansb'g	Lewis, "
18	Frenchton	2	L. E. Resseger	Rock Cave	Upshur, "
19	Glenville	1	D. A. Friend	Glenville	Gilmer, "
20	Holly Grove	4	O. U. Marpls	Holly Grove	Upshur, "
21	Mingo	2	P. W. Shrader	Mingo	Randolph, "
22	Monroe		G. W. White, sup	Monroe	Randolph, "
23	Montrose		H. M. Strader	Kerner	Randolph, "
24	Newlon	4	N. L. G. Anderson, sup	Selbyville	Upshur, "
25	Philippi	1	G. S. Baggett	Philippi	Barbour, "
26	South Buckhannon	4	T. W. Chidester	Buckhannon	Upshur, "
27	Sutton	1	E. R. Skidmore	Sutton	Braxton, "
28	Ten Mile	2	J. O. Bolton	Sellers	Upshur, "
29	Troy	1	A. L. Ireland	Troy	Gilm r, "
30	Weston	1	J. S. Robinson	Weston	Lewis, "

31. S. L. Boyers, President of Conference Seminary and member of Buckhannon Quarterly Conference.

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT, No. 32.

J. Engle, Presiding Elder- -4. P. O. - -Fairmont, W. Va.

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preachers.	Postoffice.	County & State.
33	Bridgeport	1	O. D. King	Bridgeport	Harrison, W. Va.
34	Barnesville	2	L. S. Carter	Fairmont	Marion, "
35	Clarksburg	1	William Anderson	Clarksburg	Harrison, "
36	Fairmont	3	N. B. Johnson	Fairmont	Marion, "
37	Farmington	1	Cyrus Poling	Farmington	Marion, "
38	Jarvisville	2	B. B. Brooks	Jarvisville	Harrison, "
39	Logansport	1	C. E. Feather	Logansport	Marion, "
40	Lumberport	2	L. N. Coffield	Lumberport	Harrison, "
41	Mannington	2	W. B. King	Mannington	Marion, "
42	Marion	2	W. D. Reed	Amos	Marion, "
43	Mount Clare	1	P. L. Musgrove	Mt. Clare	Harrison, "
44	Pine Grove, supplied	1		Pine Grove	Wetzel, "
45	Pruntytown	1	A. D. Perry	Pruntytown	Taylor, "
46	Salam	3	Thos. G. Meredith	Salem	Harrison, "
47	Shinnston	2	Forbes B. Davis	Shinnston	Harrison, "
48	Smithton	1	Theophilus McCoy	Smithton	Doddridge, "
49	West Milford	2	M. W. Rider	West Milford	Harrison, "
50	Wilsonburg	2	A. D. Garrett	Wilsonburg	Harrison, "
51	Wyatt, supplied	1		Wyatt	Harrison, "
52	Wallace, supplied	1	D. B. Orr	Wallace	Harrison, "

CHARLESTON DISTRICT, No. 53.**D. S. Hammond, Presiding Elder—3. P. O.—Charleston, W. Va.**

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preachers.	Postoffice.	County & State.
54	Arnoldsburg.....	3	J. M. Kinder.....	Mt. Zion.....	Calhoun, W.Va.
55	Charleston.....				
56	Charleston, State st..	1	M. F. Compton.....	Charleston...	Kanawha, "
57	Charleston, Bowman ..	1	Geo. E. Morris.....	Charleston...	Kanawha, "
58	Charleston Circuit...	2	W. P. Quinn.....	Patrick.....	Kanawha, "
59	Cicerone.....		John McKendree, sup.	Cicerone.....	Roane, "
60	Clendennen.....	3	W. H. Hammond.....	Clendennen...	Kanawha, "
61	Clifton and Mason ..	1	O. C. Phillips.....	Mason City...	Mason, "
62	Cottageville.....	3	E. L. Meadows.....	Cottageville...	Jackson, "
63	Elmwood.....	2	L. E. Leslie.....	Elmwood.....	Mason, "
64	Goldtown.....		J. I. Carney, supply ..	Goldtown...	Jackson, "
65	Graham Mines.....		supply.....	Graham M's...	Kanawha, "
66	Hartford.....	2	C. Hely Molony.....	Hartford.....	Mason, "
67	Leon.....	1	Dell Upton, supply ..	Leon.....	Mason, "
68	Malden and Danaville	1	A. W. Chambers.....	Malden.....	Kanawha, "
69	Mount Union.....	3	P. D. Fisher.....	Clarence.....	Roane, "
70	Noble.....	2	G. W. Alley.....	Lockhart.....	Jackson, "
71	Point Pleasant.....	1	S. J. Miller.....	Pt. Pleasant...	Mason, "
72	Ravenswood.....	1	James W. Engle.....	Ravenswood...	Jackson, "
73	Raymond.....	1	W. H. Mahon.....	Raymond C'y ..	Putnam, "
74	Reedy.....	2	W. T. McCutcheon...	Reedy.....	Roane, "
75	Ripley.....	1	A. J. L. Curtis.....	Ripley.....	Jackson, "
76	Riverside.....	1	C. B. Mottics, supply	Charleston...	Kanawha, "
77	Spencer.....	2	E. A. Davis.....	Spencer.....	Roane, "
78	Walton.....	3	H. K. Riffe.....	Gandeeville...	Roane, "
79	West Charleston.....	J	O. A. Kelley.....	Patrick.....	Kanawha, "

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT No. 80.**J. W. Bedford, Presiding Elder—4. P. O.—Milton, W. Va.**

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preachers.	Postoffice.	County & State.
81	Ashton.....	1	H. A. Barlow, supply.	Ashton.....	Wayne, W.Va.
82	Cassville.....	1	Wilson Lewis, supply.	Fort Gay....	Wayne, "
83	Central City.....	1	P. H. Hawk.....	Central City...	Cabell, "
84	Ceredo.....	1	J. F. McClure.....	Ceredo.....	Wayne, "
85	Dingess.....	1	W. K. Young, supply ..	Dingess.....	Mingo, "
86	Dunlow.....	1	J. L. Jones, supply.....	Dunlow.....	Wayne, "
87	East Hamlin.....	2	A. C. Hicks, supply ..	Meed.....	Lincoln, "
88	Egypt.....	1	J. B. Cook.....	Egypt.....	Wayne, "
89	Fairfield.....	1	J. B. Workman.....	Acme.....	Kanawha, "
90	Guyandotte.....	3	H. C. Howard.....	Guyandotte...	Cabell, "
91	Hamlin.....	2	F. W. Queen.....	Hamlin.....	Lincoln, "
92	Handley.....	1	S. M. Day.....	Handley.....	Kanawha, "
93	Henderson.....	2	B. D. Mahone.....	Veranda.....	Mason, "
94	Huntington, 1st Ch'rch	1	B. B. Evans.....	Huntington...	Cabell, "
95	Huntington, 7th Ave..	2	H. Scott.....	Huntington...	Cabell, "
96	Hurricane.....	1	J. S. Kenney, supply ..	Hurricane...	Putnam, "
97	Kanawha City.....	1	P. E. Greenwalt, sup.	Kan'wha C'y ..	Kanawha, "
98	Kenova.....	1	J. W. Richey, supply ..	St. Albans...	Kanawha, "
99	Milton.....	1	To be supplied.....	Milton.....	Cabell, "
100	Pidgeon Creek.....	1	D. H. Trembly, supply	Varney.....	Mingo, "
101	Peytona.....	1	T. T. Frasure, supply ..	Peytona.....	Boone, "
102	Reid.....	1	A. V. Grimes.....	Reid.....	Cabell, "
103	Ruth.....	1	W. T. Scantlin, sup. ..	Ruth.....	Kanawha, "
104	St. Albans.....	1	To be supplied.....	St. Albans...	Kanawha, "
105	Sheridan.....	1	W. M. Stephens, sup. ..	Sheridan.....	Lincoln, "
106	Thacker.....	1	H. V. Kingsley.....	Thacker.....	Mingo, "
107	Wayne.....	1	H. L. Polling.....	Herbert.....	Wayne, "
118	Williamson.....	1	J. L. Stevenson.....	Williamson...	Mingo, "
109	Winfield.....	1	R. F. Far'ey.....	Winfield.....	Putnam, "
110	Winifrede.....	1	M. F. Pritchard.....	Winifrede...	Kanawha, "

111. S. K. Arbuthnot, Chaplain of United States, and member of First Church Quarterly Conference.

MORGANTOWN D. STRICT, No. 112.

S. J. Cotton, Presiding Elder—2. P. O.—Grafton, W. Va.

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preachers.	Postoffice.	County & State.
113	Arnettsville.....	2	F. M. Cain.....	Arnettsville..	Mon'galia, W. Va.
114	Blacksville.....	3	G. H. Williams.....	Blacksville..	" "
115	Grafton.....	2	F. N. Lynch.....	Grafton.....	Taylor, "
116	Halleck.....	1	S. E. Jones.....	Halleck.....	Preston, "
117	Jollytown.....	1	M. E. Goodrich.....	Jollytown...	Greene, Pa.
118	Kingwood.....	1	M. D. Nutter.....	Kingwood.....	Preston, W. Va.
119	Knottsville.....	3	E. A. Barnes.....	Knottsville...	Taylor, "
120	Littleton.....	1	Spencer King.....	Hundred.....	Wetzel, "
121	Masontown.....	3	M. Knotts.....	Masontown...	Preston, "
122	Monongalia.....	2	W. L. Baumgardner..	Morgantown..	Monongalia, "
123	Morgantown.....	1	S. V. Leech.....	Morgantown..	" "
124	Morgantown Circuit...	1	A. W. Ownby.....	Morgantown..	" "
125	Palatine.....	2	Geo. C. Shaw.....	Palatine.....	Marion, "
126	Palatine Circuit.....	2	A. A. Kelly.....	Colfax.....	" "
127	Tunnelton.....	1	J. J. White.....	Tunnelton...	Preston, "
128	Wadestown.....	1	D. F. Carder.....	Wadestown..	Mongalia, "

NEW RIVER DISTRICT, No. 129.

L. H. Jordan, Presiding Elder—4. P. O.—Fayetteville, W. Va.

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preachers.	Postoffice.	County & State.
130	Athens.....	1	W. F. Jenkins, supply.	Athens.....	Mercer, W. Va.
131	Birch River.....	1	C. A. Spencer, supply.	Bach River...	Nicholas "
132	Boone.....	2	E. S. Dickens, supply.	Dry Creek....	Raleigh, "
133	Bluefield.....	1	T. H. Shannon.....	Bluefield....	Mercer, "
134	Brooklyn.....	1	E. C. Conaway.....	Brooklyn....	Raleigh, "
135	Cedar Grove.....	1	J. A. Perry, supply...	Cedar Grove..	Kanawha, "
136	Claremont.....	2	W. L. Barze.....	Claremont...	Fayette, "
137	Clay.....	1	W. E. Gibbs, supply..	Clay.....	" "
138	Elk River.....	1	Daniel Wilson.....	Osb'n's M's...	Roane, "
139	Fayette.....	3	R. G. Backus.....	Kincaid.....	Fayette, "
140	Flat Top.....	1	E. M. Cochran, supply.	Ash and.....	McDowell, "
141	Gilbert.....	2	E. S. Harless, supply..	Uyno.....	Wyoming, "
142	Hewett.....	1	Elliott Shaffer, supply	Hewett.....	Boone, "
143	Mattville.....	3	L. Kidd, supply.....	Mattville....	Raleigh, "
144	Montgomery.....	1	B. F. Howell.....	Montgomery..	Fayette, "
145	Mt. Cove.....	1	Eugene Weaver.....	Leander.....	Fayette, "
146	Logan.....	1	W. M. Pearce, supply..	Rich.....	Logan, "
147	Nicholas.....	2	L. S. Grose.....	Gilboa.....	Nicholas, "
148	Norwood.....	2	A. H. Matheny, sup...	Norwood.....	McDowell, "
149	Ophelia.....	1	J. W. Claypool.....	Ophelia.....	Nicholas, "
150	Oceana.....	2	C. W. Stephan.....	Oceana.....	Wyoming, "
151	Pleasant Retreat.....	1	H. P. Wilhams.....	Pleasant R't.	Clay, "
152	Raleigh.....	1	M. C. Reed.....	Beckley.....	Raleigh, "
153	Spring Dale.....	1	J. S. Pullin, supply...	Spring Dale..	Fayette, "
154	Summersville.....	2	J. W. Carroll.....	Summersville	Nicholas, "
155	Tate Creek.....	1	T. J. Lewis, supply....	Tate Creek...	Braxton, "

OAKLAND DISTRICT, No. 156.

L. W. Roberts, Presiding Elder—2.

P. O.—Oakland, Md.

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preacher.	Postoffice.	County & State.
157	Aurora.....	4	J. L. B. Jones.....	Aurora.....	Preston, W.Va.
158	Albrights.....	2	H. E. Friend.....	Albright.....	Preston, "
159	Brandonville.....	2	D. Westfall.....	Brandonville.....	Preston, "
160	Brewston.....	1	J. F. Arnold.....	Bruceton.....	Preston, "
161	Bayard.....	1	C. B. Merideth.....	Bayard.....	Grant, "
162	Blain.....	4	J. H. Koch.....	Gormanias.....	Preston, "
1 3	Crainsville.....	3	E. C. Bedford.....	Crainsville.....	Preston, "
164	Davis.....	3	A. S. Arnett.....	Davis.....	Tucker, "
165	Deer Park.....	2	J. H. Funk.....	Deer Park.....	Garrett, Md.
166	Etam.....	3	A. Engle, sup.....	Etam.....	Preston, W.Va.
167	Evansville.....	4	J. N. Sharp.....	Evansville.....	Preston, "
168	Friendsville.....	1	W. P. Hennen.....	Friendsville.....	Garrett, Md.
169	Grantsville.....	2	E. R. Idleman.....	Grantsville.....	Garrett, "
170	Newburg.....	2	C. E. Leatherby.....	Newburg.....	Preston, W.Va.
171	Oakland.....	2	R. B. Ward.....	Oakland.....	Garrett, Md.
172	Parsons.....	2	C. W. Cox.....	Parsons.....	Tucker, W.Va.
173	Rowlesburg.....	1	J. H. Enlow.....	Rowlesburg.....	Preston, "
174	Horton.....	1	W. M. Schultz.....	Horton.....	Randolph, "
175	Sinclair.....	2	B. F. Hill.....	Sinclair.....	Preston, "
176	Terra Alta.....	2	J. M. Warden.....	Terra Alta.....	Preston, "
177	Terra Alta Circuit.....	1	E. C. Woodruff, sup.....	Terra Alta.....	Preston, "

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT, No. 178.

A. Cameron, Presiding Elder—1st yr. P. O.—Parkersburg, W. Va.

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preacner.	Postoffice.	County & State.
179	Belleville.....	1	Wm. Hunter.....	Belleville.....	Wood, W.Va.
180	Big Bend.....	1	Jas. B. Woodyard.....	Big Bend.....	Calhoun, "
182	Cairo.....	2	A. B. Rohrbough.....	Cairo.....	Ritchie, "
183	Centerville.....	1	A. D. Adams.....	Alma.....	Tyler, "
184	Elizabeth.....	1	J. S. Harvey.....	Elizabeth.....	Wirt, "
185	Ellenboro.....	1	H. C. Sanford.....	Ellenboro.....	Ritchie, "
186	Harrisville.....	1	L. D. Ashby.....	Harrisville.....	Ritchie, "
187	Hebron.....	1	O. Given, supply.....	Hebron.....	Pleasants, "
188	Middlebourne.....	2	W. E. Lovett.....	Middlebourne.....	Tyler, "
189	Newark.....	1	M. Taylor.....	Newark.....	Wirt, "
190	North Parkersburg.....	2	D. W. Smith, supply.....	Dallison.....	Wood, "
191	Parkersburg 1st Ch'r'h.....	3	F. S. Townsend.....	Parkersburg.....	Wood, "
192	Parkersburg 2d Ch'r'h.....	1	G. W. Kepler.....	Parkersburg.....	Wood, "
193	Parkersburg Circuit.....	1	C. R. Shackelford.....	Newport.....	Wood, "
194	Pennsboro.....	1	W. M. Kinsley.....	Pennsboro.....	Ritchie, "
195	Pleasants.....	1	E. S. Withers.....	Waverly.....	Wood, "
196	Pullman.....	1	Taylor Richmond.....	Pullman.....	Ritchie, "
197	Pursley.....	1	T. H. Bunting.....	Pursley.....	Tyler, "
198	St. Marys.....	1	C. Warman.....	St. Marys.....	Pleasants, "
199	Shiloh.....	2	F. P. Dunbar.....	Shiloh.....	Tyler, "
200	Sistersville.....	2	H. B. Bowden.....	Sistersville.....	Tyler, "
201	Smithville.....	1	J. C. Strader.....	Smithville.....	Ritchie, "
202	South Parkersburg.....	1	T. W. Wilson.....	Newport.....	Wood, "
203	Volcano.....	2	E. D. W. King.....	Deer Walk.....	Wood, "
204	West Union.....	1	J. A. Fullerton, supply.....	West Union.....	Deddridge, "
205	Williamstown.....	1	C. W. Upton.....	Williamsto'n.....	Wood, "

206. D. A. Denton, editor Methodist Episcopal Times; member of Quarterly Conference, First Church, Parkersburg.

207. W. G. Smith, Financial Secretary of Conference Seminary; member of Quarterly Conference, Second Church, Parkersburg.

WHEELING DISTRICT. No 208.

Archibald Moore, Presiding Elder—4. P. O.—Wheeling, W. Va.

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preachers.	Postoffice	County & State.
209	Benwood	1	G. W. Bent	Benwood ...	Marshall, W. Va.
210	Cameron	2	John Beddow	Cameron	Marshall, "
211	Cameron Circuit	1	W. B. Young (Sup.)	Cameron	Marshall, "
212	Dallas	2	V. A. Nanna	Dallas	Marshall, "
213	Fulton	1	W. S. Nicholson	Fulton	Ohio, "
214	Marshall	2	C. H. Lakin	Sherrard	Marshall, "
215	McMechon	1	U. S. G. Carroll	McMechen ...	Marshall, "
216	Moundsville	2	D. L. Ash	Moundsville..	Marshall, "
217	Moundsville Circuit	3	D. W. Ruble	Moundsville..	Marshall, "
218	New Martinsville	1	G. D. Smith	N. Martin's ..	Wetzel, "
219	New Martinsville C't.	1	John R. Bryson, sup. ..	N. Martin's ..	Wetzel, "
220	Pleasant Valley	1	Arthur Merrells	Moundsville..	Marshall, "
221	Proctor	1	G. E. Fuller	Proctor	Wetzel, "
222	Short Creek & Liberty	2	G. U. Balsley	W. Liberty ...	Ohio, "
223	Silver Hill	1	E. E. King	Silver Hill ...	Wetzel, "
224	Triadelphia	1	Gregory Bleakley	Triadelphia ..	Ohio, "
225	Chapline St.	1	W. J. Harkness	Wheeling	Ohio, "
226	Fourth St.	3	J. L. Sooy	Wheeling ...	Ohio, "
			*F. D. T. Bickley		
227	North St.	3	C. B. Graham	Wheeling	Ohio, "
228	Thomson church	3	C. E. Clark	Wheeling	Ohio, "
229	Wesley Church	2	S. P. Crummett	Wheeling	Ohio, "
230	Zane St.	1	E. D. Hanna	Wheeling	Ohio, "

231. A. B. Riker, President of Mt. Union College and member of Fourth Street Quarterly Conference.

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Left without appointments to attend school: Larkin Bowers, W. W. Burton, W. A. Hagerty, C. S. Hughes.

MEMORIAL SERVICES.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

F. N. Lynch conducted the devotion services, reading a Scripture lesson and offering a suitable prayer.

The obituaries of C. J. Trippett and Benjamin Hagar, members of the Conference, and Emma Hopper Cotton, wife of Rev. S. J. Cotton, were read. Appropriate remarks were made on the life and character of the deceased, after which a suitable hymn was sung and Benediction was pronounced.

MEMOIR.

REV. CALEB J. TRIPPETT,

Was born in Monongalia County, near Morgantown, W. Va., May 14th, 1845, and died at Ravenswood, W. Va., August 7th, 1898. He was licensed February 27, 1869. B. Rodgers was his Pastor, and Thomas Monroe his first Presiding Elder. In March, 1870, he was admitted on trial to the West Virginia M. E. Conference, and appointed assistant with Rev. Thatcher, on Brandonville Circuit. He was ordained Deacon by Bishop Simpson at Wheeling, March, 1872, and Elder, March, 1874, by Bishop Scott, at Fairmont. His effective service extended over a period of twenty-eight years: 1870—Brandonville, assistant with Rev. Thatcher. 1871—Monongalia, assistant with Rev. J. M. Warden. 1872—Pleasant Hill. 1873—Knottsvills. 1874-5-6—Grantsville, Md. 1877-8—Evansville, 2 years and 6 months. 1879-80—Jollytown. 1881-2—St. George. 1883-4-5—Marshall. 1886-7—Mannington. 1888—Pruntytown. 1889—Oakland. 1890—Super-numerary. 1891-2-3—Pt. Pleasant. 1894-5—Short Creek and Liberty. 1896—Zane Street, Wheeling. 1897—Hartford City. 1898—Ravenswood. He was married to Miss Ophelia A. Riggs, 1871, who shared with him the trials and triumphs of an itinerant life. The fruit

of this marriage was two children, a son and a daughter. Mother and children still survive him. Our beloved and lamented brother was a man of deep convictions, and one who had the courage on all needed occasions to express them. He was a true friend and could be trusted at all times. By economy he purchased a splendid library, which he studied with success in his preparation for a life work in the ministry. In the pulpit he was earnest and his discourses evinced careful preparation. Bro. Trippett died in the harness. Although ill for three years the end came suddenly. In the midst of a year of activities he was called from labor to reward. The funeral services were held in the M. E. Church at Terra Alta, conducted by Rev. J. M. Warden and D. S. Hammond, his P. E., assisted by the Revs. Ross Ward Woodruff and T. T. Brown, of Terra Alta, and W. B. King, L. D. Starkey, and A. F. and A. M. Order.

"No pain, nor death, nor anxious fear,
Invades thy bounds, no mortal woe
Can reach the quiet sleeper here
While Angels watch the soft repose."

REV. BENJAMIN HAGAR.

Benjamin Hagar was born on February 22, 1814; converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church when about nineteen years of age. His Christian life spans beautifully the time from the days of the pioneer fathers, whose heroic and untiring labors planted Methodism all among the hills and valleys of Western Virginia, to the days of triumph and blessing which we, their sons, enjoy. Brother Hagar was, very soon after entering the Church, licensed as a local preacher, which relations he sustained to the Church for several years, traveling part of the time as a supply in the old Kanawha District of the Ohio Conference. We are without the exact date of his admission to the West Virginia Conference, but it was about the time of its organization. He was a most noble specimen of physical, moral and Christian manhood. To know him was to love him; and no one who knew him ever doubted his piety, or his devotion to God and the Church. His active ministry covers a period of more than forty years, confined mostly to some of the hardest fields of the Conference. Hundreds of souls were saved through his ministry, who will stand with him in the bright eternal day and call him blessed. He had been

superannuated for the last sixteen years. For several years he had been sorely afflicted: first in the death of his wife, who preceded him by several years to the other shore, and then in the impairment of his own bodily health. Even when his mind was so impaired that he scarcely recognized the members of his own family, he still retained his faith and hold on the Lord, and could pray and talk of Christ and salvation with that clearness and intelligence that so beautifully characterized his better days.

His life was a blessing to all who would profit by a holy example, or the influence of a consecrated life. "Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright for the end of that man is peace." Brother Hagar's departure occurred about the 20th of August, 1898, at the home of his son at Hewitt, Boone county, West Virginia. "He rests from his labors; but his works follow him."

EMMA HOPPER COTTON.

Emma Hopper Cotton was born in De Kalb, Kemper county, Mississippi, November 13, 1859. She was dedicated to God in Holy Baptism while an infant. From infancy she feared God, and believed in the Lord Jesus Christ. At the age of fifteen she made profession of religion, and united with the Presbyterian Church. She was married to S. J. Cotton, April 2, 1876, with whom she lived lovingly for twenty-two years. When her husband joined the Methodist ministry, she voluntarily connected herself with the Church to which he belonged, and took up the responsibility and shared with him the labors and joys of the pastorate. She always won the love and esteem of the best people. Her chief delight was her home and family. She came with her husband to the West Virginia Conference in 1888.

She died at Grafton, W. Va., March 2, 1898. She was the mother of eight children, five boys and three girls, all of whom survive with her stricken husband to mourn a loss earth cannot restore. As a Christian she was to be judged by her fruits, which abide. Her end was in triumph.

A few hours before death she told her husband and pastor, Rev. F. N. Lynch, that she was "not afraid to die;" and shortly before she passed away said: "Jesus is mine," "Praise the Lord!" She has entered into rest. Her memory is precious and hallowed forever.

MRS. R. M. WALLACE.

Mary Wallace, wife of the Rev. R. M. Wallace, was born in County Armah, Ireland, in 1816, and died in Clarksburg, W. Va., March 8, 1898. She was converted in childhood, and united with the Church. She lived a faithful and consistent Christian life. She was married to R. M. Wallace, September 10, 1840. God blessed their union with seven children, three of whom still live. Of Sister Wallace it may be justly said, "She hath done what she could"—as a servant of Christ, as the wife of a Methodist minister, as a mother in the home. It need hardly be said that her death was sublimely peaceful. And when the coronation day shall come, it will be seen that patience, meekness and love adorn this spirit immortal.

Roll of the Honored Dead of the West Virginia Conference.

No.	Name.	Place of Death.	Date of Death.	Conference Relation at Time of Death.	Age.	Years in Ministry.
1	George Demmer.....	Wayne County, W. Va.	October 6, 1851.....	Effective.....	28	2
2	Abraham Loughridge.....	Granville, "	April 22, 1854.....	On Trial.....	32	1
3	Silas Burns.....	South Wheeling.....	December 15, 1854.....	Effective.....	26	3
4	William Summers.....	Martin's Ferry, Ohio.....	March 29, 1855.....	Supernumerary.....	58	20
5	Eli McLaughlin.....	Ripley, W. Va.....	April 3, 1855.....	On Trial.....	30	2
6	Alpheus Robe.....	Clinton Furnace, W. Va.	December 4, 1855.....	Effective.....	33	5
7	Jesse Freeland.....	Kingwood, "	June 6, 1856.....	Superannuated.....	40	7
8	James A. Young.....	Near Shinnston, "	June 17, 1857.....	On Trial.....	24	1
9	Goreon Battelle.....	Washington, D. C.	August 7, 1862.....	Effective.....	47	17
10	Jacob S. Patterson.....	Knightstown, Indiana.....	July 10, 1864.....	Superannuated.....	45	21
11	Paul Vandervort.....	Joliettown, Pennsylvania.....	August 26, 1865.....	Effective.....	37	10
12	William R. Carroll.....	Near Kingwood, W. Va.	July 20, 1867.....	Superannuated.....	38	4
13	W. D. Warman.....	Ravenswood, "	January 19, 1868.....	Effective.....	50	7
14	Philip Green.....	Near Lumberport, "	January 24, 1870.....	Superannuated.....	80	44
15	Allen B. Smith.....	Buffalo, "	May 19, 1870.....	Effective.....	45	6
16	John L. Erwin.....	Fairmont, "	April 26, 1871.....	".....	59	40
17	George Monroe.....	Point Pleasant, "	August 8, 1872.....	Superannuated.....	69	25
18	Edgar B. Blundon.....	Burning Springs, "	March 6, 1873.....	Effective.....	37	7
19	George W. Richmond.....	Wheeling, "	March 16, 1874.....	".....	41	17
20	Thomas M. Hartley.....	West Liberty, "	May 3, 1875.....	".....	33	11
21	Michael Dowler.....	Marshall county, "	November 26, 1875.....	Supernumerary.....	70	6
22	Moses Tichnel.....	Rosemond, Illinois.....	May 23, 1876.....	Superannuated.....	70	38
23	Wilson Hindman.....	Moundsville, W. Va.....	March 17, 1878.....	Effective.....	50	28
24	J. C. Blair.....	Fairmont, "	December 23, 1878.....	".....	63	36
25	Francis M. Hughes.....	Cameron, "	September 14, 1879.....	".....	32	12
26	J. C. Sidebottom.....	Barboursville, "	1881.....	Supernumerary.....	44	7
27	Francis Guthrie.....	Gallipolis, Ohio.....	July 7, 1881.....	Superannuated.....	80	45
28	S. D. Jones.....	Williamstown, W. Va.	March 21, 1881.....	".....	75	51
29	L. D. Heatherly.....	Round Bottom, Wayne county, W. Va.	December 13, 1882.....	".....	26	5
30	J. G. Weaver.....	Upland, Pennsylvania.....	May 19, 1883.....	".....	48	20
31	G. W. Parriott.....	Near Cameron, W. Va.	November 8, 1883.....	Effective.....	49	10
32	W. H. Young.....	Middlebourne, "	May, 1884.....	".....	38	14
33	David M. Heaston.....	Buckhannon, "	November 11, 1884.....	".....	38	8
34	Neville C. Beckley.....	Charleston, "	October 16, 1885.....	".....	49	16
35	John S. Laughlin.....	Deer Park, Maryland.....	March 7, 1886.....	Superannuated.....	41	14
36	Samuel Steele.....	Buckhannon, W. Va.	May 24, 1886.....	Effective.....	62	36
37	Andrew Dixon.....	Near Mountain Cove, W. Va.	February, 1886.....	Superannuated.....	80	53
38	Robert Laughlin.....	Greene county, Pennsylvania.....	January 17, 1887.....	".....	74	40
39	Calvin Connor.....	Moundsville, W. Va.	December 28, 1886.....	".....	67	36

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40	John C. Kurtz.....	Deer Park, Maryland.	April 16, 1887.....	Effective	36	1
41	Thomas P. Ryan.....	Roane County, W. Va.....	October 14, 1887.....	"	54	14
42	John R. West.....	Newport, Ohio.....	May 21, 1889.....	Superannuated.....	90	67
43	John W. Hess.....	Centreville, Tyler County, W. Va.....	October 13, 1889.....	Effective	56	20
44	Daniel W. Smith.....	Malden, West Va.....	January 3, 1890.....	Superannuated.....	31	3
45	George R. Copeland.....	Hundred, ".....	August 20, 1890.....	Effective.....	42	13
46	George Crossfield.....	Berkeley Springs, ".....	March 1891.....	Superannuated.....	69	42
47	James W. W. Bolton.....	Palatine, ".....	February 19, 1891.....	Effective.....	57	34
48	Thomas H. Trainer.....	Benwood, ".....	April 19, 1891.....	Superannuated.....	71	42
49	Samuel R. Dawson.....	Ellenboro, ".....	January 28, 1892.....	Supernumerary.....	68	45
50	E. H. Orwen.....	Aberdeen, Maryland.....	August 18, 1892.....	"	57	37
51	John C. Rexroad.....	Evansville, West Va.....	September 23, 1892.....	Effective	49	20
52	J. B. Pinchen.....	Swan Creek, Ohio.....	April 26, 1893.....	Superannuated.....	..	..
53	John W. Reger.....	Buckhannon, West Va.....	July 6, 1893.....	"	..	..
54	Loren L. Stewart.....	Williamstown, ".....	January 15, 1893.....	Effective	48	23
55	Samuel Hitchens.....	Morgantown, ".....	May 23, 1893.....	Supernumerary.....	53	..
56	W. R. White.....	Fairmont, ".....	November 10, 1893.....	"	74	50
57	R. M. Wallace.....	Clarksburg, ".....	October 2, 1893.....	Superannuated.....	76	32
58	T. E. Galway.....	Grafton, ".....	October 13, 1893.....	Effective	43	10
59	John A. Williams.....	Buckhannon, ".....	January 21, 1894.....	Superannuated.....	78	..
60	Richard Northcraft.....	Harrisville, ".....	October 28, 1894.....	"	76	..
61	J. T. Eichelberger.....	St. Cloud, ".....	January, 1895.....	"	57	..
62	Richard L. Brooks.....	Selbyville, ".....	September 21, 1896.....	"	85	..
63	Robert Brooks.....	St. Albans, ".....	February 14, 1895.....	"	..	..
64	J. L. Boylen.....	Roanoke, ".....	June 23, 1895.....	Effective	29	4
65	D. A. McGinnis.....	Mole Hill, ".....	May 17, 1896.....	Superannuated.....	..	7
66	D. S. Benedum.....	Salem, ".....	.....	Superannuated.....	71	6
67	Alexander Justice.....	Palatine, ".....	February 8, 1897.....	Effective	28	3
68	O. J. Trippett.....	Ravenswood, ".....	August 7, 1898.....	Effective.....	53	28
69	Benjamin Hagar.....	Hewitt, ".....	August 20, 1897.....	Superannuated.....	84	50

They rest from their labors and their works do follow them.

Reports of Standing Committees.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

We feel more strongly than ever the profound importance of education. Next to the power of the Holy Ghost, the Church needs the power, which comes from well-trained minds.

Religion and culture are joined together by God, and no man should be allowed to put them asunder. We recognize the great good accomplished by the various forms of public schools, from the little rural schools on our own hillsides to the great universities. Yet we feel that the Church school has a field of its own. We consider that it is one of the duties of the Christian Church to provide institutions of its own where young people can secure an education under excellent moral and religious influences. While we do not believe any school can entirely remove temptation from the young, or put an end to all forms of misconduct, we do believe that our Church schools at once diminish the temptations to sin.

A great auxiliary to our schools is found in the Board of Education. During the last year this Board aided 22 young people within the bounds of our Conference, at an expense of \$1,081. Yet our Children's Day collections last year amounted to only \$616. We urge all our pastors to observe Children's Day and to be sure that the collection is not spent in the expenses of the day, nor diverted from the treasury of the Board of Education.

We take great pleasure in the continued prosperity of our Conference Seminary. Its last year was the most prosperous in its history. The enrollment of students reached 360, and a corresponding prosperity along all other lines attended the school.

Prof. W. B. Hutchinson resigned the Presidency the latter part of the year, and Prof. Trotter was appointed to the vacancy, giving entire satisfaction to the Board of Trustees.

At the end of the year the Trustees elected to the Presidency the Rev. S. L. Boyers, a choice which seems wise. We welcome him to

the Presidency and to membership in our Conference, and congratulate him upon the auspicious beginning of his work.

The present term of the Seminary has its largest enrollment. Good discipline and good scholarship are both maintained with ease. The surroundings are such as to preserve both the health and the morals of the students. We call particular attention to the Ladies' Hall, with its beauty and its complete modern improvements, providing in every way for the health and comfort of the inmates.

We urge upon both the ministers and the laity of our Conference even a greater interest in the school. It has material wants which should be supplied by the gifts of our wealthy laymen.

We recommend the continuance of the Seminary collection, and that its apportionment be as heretofore, 5 per cent upon the cash salary of pastors.

We request the appointment of S. L. Boyers as President and W. G. Smith as Financial Secretary of the Seminary.

Mount Union College has achieved a name and a fame in all the land. We are more closely identified with Mount Union College than ever before, by the election to its Presidency of our honored and beloved brother, Rev. A. B. Riker, D. D., and we congratulate the institution upon securing him, even while we regret his departure from the pastoral work of our Conference. The College is to be especially commended for its high moral and religious tone, and its arrangements for reducing expenses so low as to bring them within the reach of the most humble aspirant for a college education.

We also include as a part of this report our concurrence as a Conference in the conjoint report, dated July 27th, 1898, as submitted to this session of our Conference by the Patronizing Conference Committee of Supervision for Mount Union College.

We request the presiding Bishop to appoint A. B. Riker President of Mount Union College.

The Ohio Wesleyan University continues to hold its leading position among our educational institutions. It has already leavened a large section of our country with its graduates, and still sends out from its halls annually increasing numbers of converted and cultured young men and women.

We call attention to its offer of a free scholarship to every honor-graduate of our high schools, and to any one sent and sustained by an Epworth League Chapter.

Allegheny College continues to advance in material prosperity and in efficient work for the mental and moral development of the young. Our sympathies and good wishes go out to it.

The Woman's College of Baltimore is an admirable institution for those who wish their daughters to have a collegiate education of the highest grade, in a school receiving only one sex.

Our Church's three leading Schools of Theology are at Boston, Mass.; Drew Theological Seminary, at Madison, N. J., and Garrett Biblical Institute, at Evanston, Ill. The reports of these schools for the last year show them to be in a prosperous condition.

We recommend that all our young men who are planning to enter the ministry complete a course in college and afterwards in one of our schools of theology.

WILLIAM J. HARKNESS, Chairman.

FRANK S. TOWNSEND, Secretary.

We also present the following nominations:

Trustees of Ohio Wesleyan University.—Governor Geo. W. Atkinson, to succeed himself; John H. Hess, to fill the unexpired term of B. W. Hutchinson.

Board of Control of Mount Union College.—D. S. Hammond, A. Cameron, F. N. Lynch.

Board of Control of Allegheny College.—C. E. Clark, H. F. Jones, D. L. Ash, Dr. Spragg.

Trustees of Conference Seminary.—Ministers, L. W. Roberts, D. A. Denton; Laymen, John A. Barnes, Scott Withers.

VISITORS.

Allegheny College.—J. L. Clark, S. P. Crummett.

Ohio Wesleyan University.—F. S. Townsend, R. B. Ward.

Baltimore Woman's College.—J. L. Sooy, M. W. Rider.

Mount Union College.—W. B. King, C. B. Graham.

De Pauw University.—J. S. Robinson, T. W. Chidister.

Drew Seminary.—William Anderson, C. H. Moley.

Boston University.—W. J. Harkness, S. J. Miller.

Conference Seminary.—D. L. Ash, C. E. Leatherby, C. R. Shackelford, J. M. Gross, E. L. Stone, W. S. Nicholson, H. C. Howard, Taylor Richmond, M. N. Hambleton.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The Committee on Sabbath Observance submits the following report:

We are appalled at the general and wide-spread desecration of our Sabbath day. We attribute this desecration to several causes, some of which we mention:

1. An utter disregard for the day by profane and godless persons.
2. A misunderstanding as to the purport of the day, many people thinking our Sabbath a day for the cessation of their clerical labors and for the engagement in sinful pleasures and desecrations.

In order that our people may have a broader conception of the sacredness of the day,

Resolved, That as servants of God, we present to our people the need of a stricter observance of the Sabbath day.

Resolved, That we recommend to the parents and guardians of the children on our charges the necessity of more rigid restraint on the habits and customs of their children.

Resolved, That we impress upon the teachers of our Sunday schools the need of a greater solemnity for the Lord's day.

Resolved, That we offer our protest against excursions, ball games of any description, horse racing, cycling, &c., among the older people, and all similar games among the children; and finally,

Resolved, That we preach as often as practicable on the subject.

G. E. WARD, Chairman.

E. D. HANNA, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EPWORTH LEAGUES.

Your committee is pleased to note from the reports of our Presiding Elders, that there is continued growth in the Epworth Leagues of the Conference.

We believe that in our young people, as organized in the Epworth

League, lies a great store of latent energy, which under God's spirit, may become a power for the promotion of revivals.

We would urge a greater activity of the Literary Department, and commend to all our members the Epworth Herald and the Epworth League Reading Course.

The Mercy and Help Department has before it a field of usefulness. We commend to it all recognized channels of charitable work.

We recommend that a commission of three be appointed by our Conference to meet a like commission from the West Virginia Conference M. E. Church South, to consider an Epworth League composed of representatives from both churches.

We further recommend that a blank be made in the statistical report of the Conference for Epworth League Chapters similar to that for the Sunday school.

FORBES B. DAVIS, Chairman.

S. M. DAY, Secretary.

PARSONAGE AND FURNITURE.

There are 197 charges in the West Virginia Conference, and only 126 parsonages. A few of these are furnished according to our law, others partially furnished, and some without any furniture. Believing it to be an advantage to both the pastor and people that every charge have a comfortable parsonage, therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend that the membership comply with the rule of our Discipline on this subject as soon as possible.

MARTIN TALBOT, Chairman.

W. R. HENNEN, Secretary.

CHURCH EXTENSION COMMITTEE.

The needs of the Church Extension Society still exist.

The part our Conference is to take in this work for the coming year is to raise by collection \$1,800. By approved application we may receive \$1,500.

As the amount received by us depends on what we raise, it should inspire us to use all diligence to secure the amount asked. The success of this cause largely depends upon the pastors to give informa-

tion and awaken interest in this cause. The opening up of new territory in the United States is an extension of our opportunities to advancement; and if these opportunities be a call from God, we should go forth to the work. We should inform ourselves on the subject of Church Extension work by reading "Christianity in Earnest" and "Glad Tidings." Therefore be it

Resolved, First, That we congratulate the Board of Church Extension and the Church on the success of this work.

Second, That our country, being new, with rapidly increasing population and new territorial additions, will continue to need and to do the larger work now thrown upon us.

Third, That as a Conference we will not be content with anything less than the full amount of our apportionment, until the people shall have opportunity to enter "their courts with praise."

Respectfully submitted,

T. W. CHIDISTER, Chairman.

C. WARMAN, Secretary.

COMMITTEE ON PERIODICALS AND BOOKS.

We realize the fact that our beloved Methodism has been greatly aided in her mission to save the world by the use of her growing periodical literature, and we urge the further use of the same.

The Pittsburg Christian Advocate has the chief claim upon our support.

We, therefore, urge our pastors to press the claims of this paper upon our people.

The M. E. Times we welcome, and rejoice in its growing influence, and as a paper especially devoted to the interests of the West Virginia Conference, we pledge the management our support in its efforts to maintain the same.

We welcome the Epworth Herald within our borders, and rejoice at its great success, and urge our young people to read it.

We believe it to be the duty of each preacher of this Conference to see that our people read our books and take our church papers.

A. J. L. CURTIS, Chairman.

M. E. GOODRICH, Secretary.

MISSIONARY REPORT.

First of all we desire to congratulate the efficient Missionary Secretaries, pastors, and people of our Church upon the payment of the debt of \$186,000. We recognize the hand of God in national affairs in recently opening up new fields for missionary work; therefore be it

Resolved, First, That we as a Conference for the coming year take as our motto, "Missionary collection in full for each charge."

Second, That we urge the Presiding Elders to, if possible, hold in their District some time during the year, one or more missionary conventions.

Third, That we appreciate the efforts of the Missionary Board's offer to place in the families of our people the information contained in "World Wide Missions" and the Tracts on Missionary Work.

A. MICK, President.

J. BEDDOW, Secretary.

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDING ELDER'S ACCOUNTS.

We, your Committee on Presiding Elder's Accounts, have examined them and believe them to be correct.

P. C. MAYS, Pres't.

P. D. FISHER, Sec'y.

V. A. NANNA.

J. F. ARNOLD.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION OF WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

We learn with pleasure of the organization of a West Virginia Conference Auxiliary to the Woman's Home Missionary Society. We recommend the organization of local auxiliaries wherever practicable.

As the organization when effected at Mountain Lake Park, on July 25, 1898, was unable to appoint managers from the Huntington and New River Districts, we request the Presiding Elders of these Districts to nominate ladies to represent their Districts.

From the Committee,

FRANK S. TOWNSEND,

A. MICK.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE M. E.
TIMES.

We are glad to report a successful year for the Times. It has a circulation of 2,750 copies, and is steadily advancing. We congratulate the Conference upon the possession of such an organ. Your Board of Control, as representing the Conference, have entered into a contract with the publisher whereby, if approved by this body, the Conference will possess the paper as its own.

Trusting it will be the pleasure of the Conference to ratify the contract, we exhort all members of the Conference to use all honorable means to advance its claims.

For the Board of Control,

D. L. ASH, Secretary.

F. S. TOWNSEND.

COMMITTEE ON BIBLE CAUSE.

We find by past reports from this special cause that it has met with some degree of success, but not by any means what it might have been, had it been more fully placed before our people; therefore be it

Resolved, First, That the members of the West Virginia Conference use all diligence in seeing that wherever a Bible is needed, it be supplied.

Second, That we should strive to keep before the minds of our people that the Bible is the book of all books, and should be read in preference to that of any other book.

W. L. BAUMGARDNER, Chairman.

CHAS. E. FEATHER, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ONE PER CENT PLAN.

At the last session of the West Virginia Conference, a committee was appointed to inquire into what is known as the one per cent plan, and present a statement concerning it, and also a plan by which it may be known, who pay from year to year.

Your committee appointed for this purpose wish to present the following recommendations for your consideration and action:

1. That the one per cent shall be due and payable on the first day of the annual session of the Conference, to the Treasurer of the one per cent fund, who shall be elected annually, and who shall receipt for each amount so paid by each preacher from year to year, in a book for that purpose.

2. The said Treasurer shall also keep a record of the cash salary received by each member of the Conference and the amounts due the one per cent fund, and in case this information is not furnished by the member, it may be obtained from the Conference minutes.

3. Concerning the disposition of the funds so collected, we recommend that sixty (60) per cent of the money so received shall be added to the "Permanent Fund of the West Virginia Conference." The remaining forty (40) per cent shall go to the Annuity Fund to be administered by the Board of Stewards in the usual way.

4. A member transferring to another Conference may by the consent of the Conference receive from the said Treasurer of the one per cent fund of the West Virginia Conference, one-half the amount remaining to his credit.

5. In case a brother who fails to pay the one per cent of his cash salary becomes a claimant on the Annuity Fund, the Treasurer shall retain fifty (50) per cent of his proportional share of the one per cent funds; that is of the forty (40) per cent going direct to the Annuity Fund, and also fifty (50) per cent of the interest which has accrued on the sixty (60) per cent paid to the "Permanent Fund," until such mites as the amounts so retained equal his unpaid dues, beginning with and including the year 1898 to the time he becomes a claimant on the said funds.

L. W. ROBERTS,
D. A. DENTON.

SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION AND TRACT SOCIETY.

Your committee on Sunday School Union and Tract Society reports as follows:

We fear that the work of the Sunday School Union and Tract Society of the M. E. Church is not understood by the Church at

large, and that the preachers are not impressed as they ought to be with their importance. Judging from the meager collections from the various charges, we find that about one-half of our charges take no collection, while the others raise only a small part of their apportionment.

The Sunday School Union is doing an important work in furnishing poor schools with supplies necessary for their work.

The Tract Society furnishes for free distribution tracts to the amount of half the collection from any charge.

Therefore we urge the importance of raising the amounts assessed to each charge.

D. W. RUBLE, Secretary.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF MOUNT UNION COLLEGE.

Alliance, Ohio, September 10th, 1898.

To the Bishop and members of the East Ohio, Pittsburgh, Erie and West Virginia Annual Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

The Trustees and Professors of Mount Union College hereby submit the following as their annual report to each of its above named and equal patronizing Conferences, to meet respectively this year on the 14th, 21st and 28th inst.:

This college closed its last year's successful work on the 28th of last July, the current receipts of the college paying all its expenses for the year, and its attendance of students being about 500. At a meeting of the Trustees held last April, Dr. A. B. Riker was elected President, in the place of Dr. T. P. Marsh, whose resignation took effect at the close of last college year. W. W. Weaver, Ph. M., was elected Professor of Pedagogy and Principal of the Normal Department. Rev. Frank C. Lockwood, Ph. D., was elected Professor of the English Language and Literature, in the place of Mrs. Amelia McCall Brush, who having faithfully and successfully served the college nineteen years as Professor of English Language and Literature, resigned at the close of last winter term. Dr. G. W. Clarke, who having continuously served the college as a Professor since 1854, retired

at the close of last year, from active teaching, having been elected Curator of the Museum.

The present college year began on the 30th of last month, with a large attendance of enterprising students. All the members of the Faculty, including the newly elected President and Professors, have entered with vigor and hope upon their respective duties. The college grounds and buildings have recently been put in excellent condition. The health and spirits of students, professors and citizens are good. Also a good religious state, and effective work continue among both students and professors. The future of the college seems highly encouraging. The citizens of the community are united and willing to do what they can to promote the interests of the college. The Trustees and patronizing Conferences, Committees of Supervision and the committees to attend the examination of college classes have been faithful, and their usual annual reports to their respective Conferences will doubtless receive, as heretofore, earnest Conference endorsement.

The Board of Trustees as well as the Faculty of this college are thankful that each of the above named Conferences has largely aided this college in advancing our common cause of Christian education. The East Ohio Conference in 1877 (also repeated the same in 1897), unanimously adopted the resolution, "That in justice to our own institutions of learning, we cannot consistently extend patronage to any institutions of other Conferences, unless said Conferences will reciprocate the favor." About 1877 or 1878, the Erie and West Virginia Conferences concurred (as they each have ever since, except a slight unintentional oversight in 1895) with the requests of this college's Trustees, as to becoming patrons of this institution with the Pittsburgh and East Ohio Conferences, by appointing to it a Committee of Supervision and a committee to attend the examination of college classes.

As the official appointment of these committees signifies a willingness on the part of the Conference to co-operate with the Trustees of this college in their proper and official action and efforts to promote this college's leading object of acquiring and supplying the means of a liberal education to persons of both sexes, so we respect-

fully request each of the above named Conferences to signify as heretofore, their co-operating and patronizing concurrence with this college, by appointing for the ensuing year a committee of supervision and a committee to attend the examination of college classes; and also we ask the West Virginia Conference to appoint to this institution Rev. A. B. Riker, D. D., as its President; also we request East Ohio Conference to return Rev. J. L. Shunk as Professor of Greek.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS MILLER, President,
RICHARD BROWN, Vice Pres't,
D. FORDING, Secretary,
G. W. CLARKE,
JOSEPH L. SHUNK,
O. N. HARTSHORN,
E. E. SCRANTON, Treasurer,
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J. A. PARSONS,

Trustees.

A. B. RIKER, President,
JOSEPH L. CHUNCK, Secretary,
G. W. CLARKE, Vice Pres't,
W. W. WEAVER,
B. F. YANNEY,
E. F. KARNS,
WILLIAM SOULE,
E. M. HARTSHORN,

Faculty.

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

Your committee asks leave to make the following report:

In view of the fact that the liquor traffic is so completely interwoven with revenues and politics of our country, and the social and

economic questions and customs of society, we regard it as the most unrelenting foe to both Church and State. The position of the Methodist Episcopal Church in regard to this whole business is "one of unrelenting hostility," and is so well known as to seem superfluous to reaffirm it from year to year.

The army canteen is the last manifestation of these liquor fiends to kill and destroy our brave sons and brothers who have gone out to uphold the flag of our country. Not content with their efforts to ruin our young men at home, they must be followed by the most plausible tactics into the army and aboard our war vessels. There should be no cessation of effort against this evil until this blot upon our fair escutcheon is wiped out and this menace to our country's defense forever removed.

We regret that in the past there has been such diversity of action upon the part of the temperance people in dealing with the liquor business. This has been the recognized weakness of our cause. A movement has been organized to concentrate the efforts of all who are opposed to the liquor traffic. The American Anti-Saloon League is this movement, and furnishes common ground for all friends of temperance and prohibition to stand upon regardless of party politics or religious proclivities. All that is asked of these friends of a common cause is to unite their efforts in putting an end to the saloon, by enforcing the laws we now have and by securing more stringent legislation until the manufacture and sale of intoxicants as a beverage are forever prohibited. Therefore we are resolved,

First.—To stand by all the laws and rules of our Church upon this subject.

Second.—We recommend the organization of Anti-Saloon Leagues wherever practicable, in all our congregations.

Third.—We recommend the appointment of the following to the next national convention of this organization, which meets in Cleveland, Ohio; A. B. Rohrbaugh, S. J. Miller, delegates; C. H. Molony, H. C. Howard, alternates.

Fourth.—We recommend the observance of Temperance Day the fourth Sunday in October, or some other appropriate day. We

hail with delight the victory for prohibition in Canada. God speed the day when it shall become universal.

L. E. RESSEGGER, Chairman.

A. R. ROHERBAUGH, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS.

Report of the Board of Stewards for the year ending October 4th, 1898:

Receipts from Districts.....	\$2,109 25
Forty per cent of Minister's 1 per cent.....	247 62
Permanent Fund	357 00
Dividend of the Book Concern.....	993 00
Chartered Fund	22 00
Total	\$3,728 87
	18 00—\$3,746 87

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Widow Richmond	\$ 93 00
“ “ Irwin	72 00
“ “ Monroe	60 00
“ “ Weaver	72 00
“ “ Parriott	72 00
“ “ Trippett	72 00
“ “ Heaston	81 00
“ “ Steele	45 00
“ “ Laughlin	45 00
“ “ Kurtz	36 00
“ “ Orwen	18 00
“ “ Crossfield	27 00
“ “ Rexroad	120 00
“ “ Trainer	39 06
“ “ Stewart	50 00
“ “ Justice	18 00
“ “ Hitchens	23 00
“ “ Boylen	60 00
“ “ Brooks	50 00
To Rev. Eichelberger's daughter	18 00
“ “ John Birkett	45 00
“ “ J. T. Carroll.....	110 00
“ “ J. J. Dolliver.....	35 00

"	"	J. L. Clark.....	125 00
"	"	John Conwell	155 00
"	"	B. Ison	125 00
"	"	Gideon Martin	155 00
"	"	G. W. Matheney.....	45 00
"	"	Moore McNeel	15 00
"	"	Vanlinden Sanford	55 00
"	"	Asby Stevens	115 00
"	"	R. S. Welch.....	85 00
"	"	W. Wristen	40 00
"	"	J. T. Davis.....	70 00
"	"	A. T. Morriston.....	60 00
"	"	J. A. Hammond.....	75 00
"	"	W. H. Shaw.....	70 00
"	"	B. Darlington	125 00
"	"	B. F. Rodgers.....	60 00
"	"	W. D. Carrico.....	90 00
To son of		Rev. Young	15 00
To	Rev.	W. J. Shaips.....	60 00
"	"	W. W. Kelley.....	60 00
"	"	J. B. Feather.....	60 00
"	"	U. Pribble	60 00
"	"	F. M. Malcolm.....	110 00
"	"	W. W. Workman.....	70 00
"	"	A. J. Lyda.....	110 00
"	"	B. L. Mercer.....	85 00
"	"	L. D. Bryan.....	65 00
"	"	F. G. W. Ford.....	85 00
"	"	W. C. Rodgers.....	94 00
"	"	T. R. Faulkner.....	70 00
"	"	Thos. Cotton	65 00
"	"	E. C. Woodruff.....	25 00
"	"	J. A. Fullerton.....	10 00
Refunded to		C. B. Merideth, overpaid last year	35 00
		F. H. J. KING.	
		C. POLING, Secretary.	

COMMITTEE ON EPISCOPAL FUND.

The Committee on Episcopal Fund desires to call attention to paragraph 288 of the Discipline, which says, "The amount to each pastoral charge for the support of the Bishops shall be a pro rata claim that with that of the pastors and Presiding Elders; and no pastor or Presiding Elder shall be entitled to his allowance except to the

extent to which the claims of the Bishop are also met by the charge or district with which such pastor and Elder are connected," and to ask that the postors and Presiding Elders see to it that this part of the Discipline is carried out.

E. P. MEADOWS, President.

G. W. BENT, Secretary.

REPORT PERMANENT FUND ASSOCIATION.

The Permanent Fund Association reports as follosw:

Investments amount to the sum of \$6,649.04. The amount applicable for distribution this year is \$3,571.01, a check for which accompanies this report. We take this occasion again to call the attention of the members of the Conference and of their friends to the laudable and meritorious object of this Association, and ask their co-operation to increase the Permanent Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. CLARK, President.

H. K. LIST, Treasurer.

MISSIONARY APPROPRIATION BY CHARGES. BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

Barbour	\$ 40 00	Flatwoods	\$ 30 00
Cleveland.....	30 00	Mingo	70 00
Cowan	50 00	Montrose	35 00
Cullipsville	25 00	Monree.....	25 00
East Buckhannon	50 00	Newlon	35 00
		Total	\$ 390 00

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

Arnoldsburg	\$ 30 00	Raymond City	\$ 40 00
Bowman	70 00	Ravenswood	50 00
Clendennin	40 00	Reedy	50 00
Elemwood	40 00	Riverside	94 00
Goldtown	25 00	Spencer	50 00
Graham Mines	35 00	Walton	30 00
Leon	40 00	West Charleston	40 00
Malden	40 00	Cicerone	20 00
		Total	\$ 694 00

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

Barnesville	\$ 111 00	Smithton	\$ 50 00
Marion	45 00	Wyatt	60 00
Shinnston	50 00		
		Total	\$ 316 00

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

Ashton	\$ 30 00	Kenova	\$ 50 00
Cassville	25 00	Milton	50 00
Dingess	100 00	Pideon Creek	50 00
Dunlow	50 00	Peytona	30 00
East Hamlin	30 00	Ruth	50 00
Egypt	50 00	St Albans	50 00
Hamlin	40 00	Sherridan	30 00
Handley	60 00	Thacker	100 00
Henderson	25 00	Williamson	100 00
Hurricane	50 00	Winfield	20 00
Kanawha City	40 00		
		Total	\$1,030 00

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

Arnettsville	\$ 40 00	Masontown	\$ 50 00
Littleton	96 00	Tunnelton	40 00
		Total	\$ 226 00

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

Athens	\$ 40 00	Hewitt	\$ 40 00
Birch River	40 00	Montgomery	40 00
Boone	40 00	Logan	40 00
Bluefield	50 00	Nicholas	40 00
Brooklyn	44 00	Norwood	50 00
Cedar Grove	40 00	Raleigh	50 00
Claremont	50 00	Spring Dale	40 00
Clay	40 00	Tate Creek	40 00
Flat Top	40 00	District	60 00
Gilbert	24 00		
		Total	\$ 808 00

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

Albrights	\$ 45 00	Parsons	\$ 45 00
Aurora	20 00	Rowlesburg	35 00
Brandonville	35 00	Horton	160 00
Cranesville	60 00	Grantsville	20 00
Etam	50 00	Terra Alta Circuit.....	30 00
		Total	\$ 500 00

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

Parkersburg 2nd Church.\$	75 00	Newark	\$ 30 00
Cairo	50 00	North Parkersburg.....	30 00
Pennsboro	50 00	Pursley	25 00
South Parkersburg.....	125 00	Pleasants	25 00
		Total	\$ 410 00

WHEELING DISTRICT.

McMechen	\$ 36 00	Fulton	\$ 36 00
		Total	\$ 72 00
JOSEPH LEE, Chairman.			

APPORTIONMENT OF THE MISSIONARY COLLECTION
BY DISTRICTS.

Buckhannon	\$2,400 00	New River	\$ 900 00
Clarksburg	1,800 00	Oakland	1,500 00
Charleston	1,700 00	Parkersburg	2,500 00
Huntington	1,200 00	Wheeling	3 300 00
Morgantown	2,300 00		

EPISCOPAL FUND.

Buckhannon	\$158 00	Clarksburg	\$167 00
Charleston	105 00	Huntington	74 00
Morgantown	173 00	Oakland	142 00
New River	45 00	Parkersburg	200 00
Wheeling	250 00		

GENERAL CONFERENCE EXPENSES.

Buckhannon	\$143 00	New River	\$ 40 00
Clarksburg	148 00	Oakland	131 00

Charleston	95 00	Parkersburg	178 00
Huntington	66 00	Wheeling	250 00
Morgantown	154 00		

BOARD OF CHURCH LOCATION.

Buckhannon District.—A. Mick, J. W. Heavener, P. E. Fetty.

Charleston District.—M. F. Compton, C. H. Molony, H. C. McWhorter, L. A. Martin.

Clarksburg District.—W. B. King, J. J. Jones, B. F. Charlton.

Huntington District.—J. W. Clouston, S. M. Day, J. B. Workman.

Morgantown District.—N. E. Shaw, F. G. W. Ford, J. Ami Martin, L. L. Loar.

New River District.—J. W. Carroll, L. S. Grose, James Robinson, Fielding McClure.

Oakland District.—J. H. Enlow, R. B. Ward, J. D. Rigg, N. E. Bishoff.

Parkersburg District.—W. G. Smith, W. Hunter, J. A. Bryant, A. Kinard.

Wheeling District.—C. B. Graham, C. E. Clark, W. A. Wilson, A. J. Clark.

DISTRICT MISSIONARY SECRETARIES.

Buckhannon District.—T. W. Chidester.

Clarksburg District.—Forbes B. Davis.

Charleston District.—C. H. Maloney.

Huntington District.—H. C. Howard.

Morgantown District.—F. N. Lynch.

New River District.—L. S. Grass.

Oakland District.—J. L. B. Jones.

Parkersburg District.—G. W. Kepler.

Wheeling District.—John Beddow.

Treasurer's Report, West Virginia Conference, for the Year Ending October 3, 1898.

NAMES OF DISTRICTS.	MISSIONARY SOCIETY...	CHURCH EXTENSION....	SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.	TRACT SOCIETY.....	FREEDMEN'S AID AND SOUTHERN EDUCATION SOCIETY.....	EDUCATION.		AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.....	WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY...	WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.....	MISSIONARY DEBT.....	TOTAL OTHER BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS..	GENERAL CONFERENCE EXPENSES.....	EPISCOPAL FUND.....	RECAPITULATION.		
						(a.) Public Educational Collection..	(b.) Children's Fund.....								Total Cash.....	Total Vouchers...	Total Cash and Vouchers.....
Buckhannon.....	\$1,097	\$128	\$29	\$28	\$84	\$204	\$45	\$9	\$10	\$	\$38	\$5	1	\$110	\$1,496	\$292	\$1,788
Charleston	666	43	16	15	37	65	44	4	19	1	56		1	96	783	280	1,063
Clarksburg.....	779	75	21	16	60	131	58	12	2	2	26			102	1,172	112	1,284
Huntington.....	616	56	11	8	28	33	30	1	90		7			42	696	226	922
Morgantown.....	1,230	102	22	20	72	194	63	21	124		30	6		113	1,307	690	1,997
New River.....	195	27	4	3	10	16	4	1	1	1	4			16	250	32	282
Oakland.....	771	97	22	18	68	168	23	3	102		35	25		97	985	444	1,429
Parkersburg	1,798	115	30	29	93	224	59	29	217	1	92		1	131	1,725	1,094	2,819
Wheeling.....	2,441	188	43	43	168	328	112	66	539	389	25	36		173	3,084	1,477	4,561
Total.	\$9,593	\$831	\$198	\$180	\$630	\$1,363	\$438	\$146	\$1,104	394	\$313	\$72	\$3	\$880	11,498	\$4,647	16,145
Last year.....	9,160	807	202	183	685	1,476	639	379	894	165		734	6	779	11,111	5,098	16,209
Increase.....	433	24							210	229	313			101	387		
Decrease... ..			4	3	55	113	201	233				662	3			451	64

Complimentary Resolutions.

Resolved, That as we lose by transfer our brother, Geo. W. Grimes, we hereby express our sincere regret that he is to leave our Conference, and most heartily commend him to the warmest welcome of the Conference to which he goes; and extend to him and his family our prayers for his future success.

F. D. T. BICKLEY,
F. N. LYNCH,
D. S. HAMMOND,
J. A. FULLERTON,
W. B. KING,
A. CAMERON.

Resolved, That it has been with most satisfactory pleasure that we have had with us as the presiding officer of this session of our Conference Bishop Fowler, who has greatly endeared himself to our hearts, and that we extend to him our hearty welcome to return again, and that our prayers shall ever follow him for his health and enlarged influence and power in our beloved Church.

F. D. T. BICKLEY,
J. L. SOOY,
F. N. LYNCH,
D. A. DENTON,
D. S. HAMMOND,
D. L. ASH.

Resolved, That it is with sincere regret that we learn of the transfer of our brother, Jos. Lee, to another Conference; that we hereby express our appreciation of his work among us, both as pastor and Presiding Elder, and as a Christian gentleman; and that we extend

to him our hearty god-speed and prayers for his future welfare and success.

F. D. T. BICKLEY,
FRANK S. TOWNSEND,
F. N. LYNCH,
D. A. DENTON,
D. S. HAMMOND,
J. A. FULLERTON.

First, That we have greatly enjoyed the session of the Conference and warm welcome extended to us in the midst of the unstinted hospitality of the good people of Mannington.

Second, That we express our hearty appreciation of the untiring efforts of the pastor, Brother King, and his able reception committee to find homes and provide for the comfort of the Conference.

Third, That we hereby express our thanks to the banks, press, railroads, and all others who have in any wise aided in the successful conduct of this session of the Conference.

Fourth, That we express our thanks to Brother Engle and the other secretaries for the neat issue of the minutes of the last session of the Conference.

F. D. T. BICKLEY,
J. L. SOOY,
FRANK S. TOWNSEND,
F. N. LYNCH,
D. A. DENTON.

COMPLIMENTARY RESOLUTION.

Whereas, The Rev. B. W. Hutchinson, for eight years President of our Conference Seminary, has during the past year resigned that position and been transferred to the Genessee Conference as President of their seminary at Lima, N. Y.; be it

Resolved, That we express our appreciation of the work he did for the school, and that we will ever gratefully remember him as the first President of the Seminary. We express our regrets at his departure from among us, and congratulate Lima Seminary upon securing so efficient a President.

F. S. TOWNSEND,
WILLIAM ANDERSON,
B. B. EVANS.

MEMORIAL TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE
UNITED STATES.

Resolved, By the West Virginia Conference Methodist Episcopal Church, in session at Mannington, W. Va., October 1, 1898, that in as much as the President of the United States is the Commander-in-Chief of all the armies of the United States, and has full authority by his command to have discontinued whatsoever may be contrary to the higher morals of our soldiers or injurious thereto, we hereby respectfully memorialize his excellency to prohibit the further continuance of the regimental canteen for the sale of beer or other liquors in our army and navy.

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference.

J. L. SOOY,

F. D. T. BICKLEY,

J. A. FULLERTON,

Special Committee.

Endorsement.

Whereas, The Children's Home Society of West Virginia chartered May 4, 1896, and incorporated July 3, 1896, and which was presented to this Conference by the Rev. D. W. Comstock. We regard the said Society as not only a work of beneficence, but also an enterprise of economical importance to our State; therefore

Resolved, That we endorse said Society and recommend it to our people; and further, that we commend it to the next State Legislature for their consideration.

Resolved, That we hereby request said Legislature to change the law regulating the management of orphans and homeless children, and thereby authorize the County Court to separate children from adults in our infirmaries, and to pass all sound in body and mind over to this Society, which will place them in good families, as sons and daughters.

C. B. GRAHAM,

A. B. ROHRBAUGH.

RESOLUTION ON FEDERATION.

Whereas, The report of the Committee on Federation, if adopted by the General Conference, will hinder the work of our Church in many places in West Virginia; therefore

Resolved, That we as a Conference enter our protest against the adoption of the report by the General Conference.

L. H. JORDEN,

S. J. COTTON,

J. W. BEDFORD,

JOSEPH LEE.

RESOLUTIONS OF ENDORSEMENT.

Whereas, There are a large number of growing and prosperous towns in the southern part of this Conference where there is no M. E. Church; and whereas, our Church in that part of the Conference is

being greatly hindered by such lack of church buildings, we do most heartily endorse the appeal made by Rev. J. W. Bedford to the Methodists of West Virginia for \$2,000 to assist in the building of churches in his district.

F. N. LYNCH,
J. B. WORKMAN,
S. J. MILLER,
A. B. ROHRBAUGH,
G. H. WILLIAMS,
U. S. G. CARROLL,
J. F. ARNOLD,
GEO. E. FULLER,
W. B. KING.

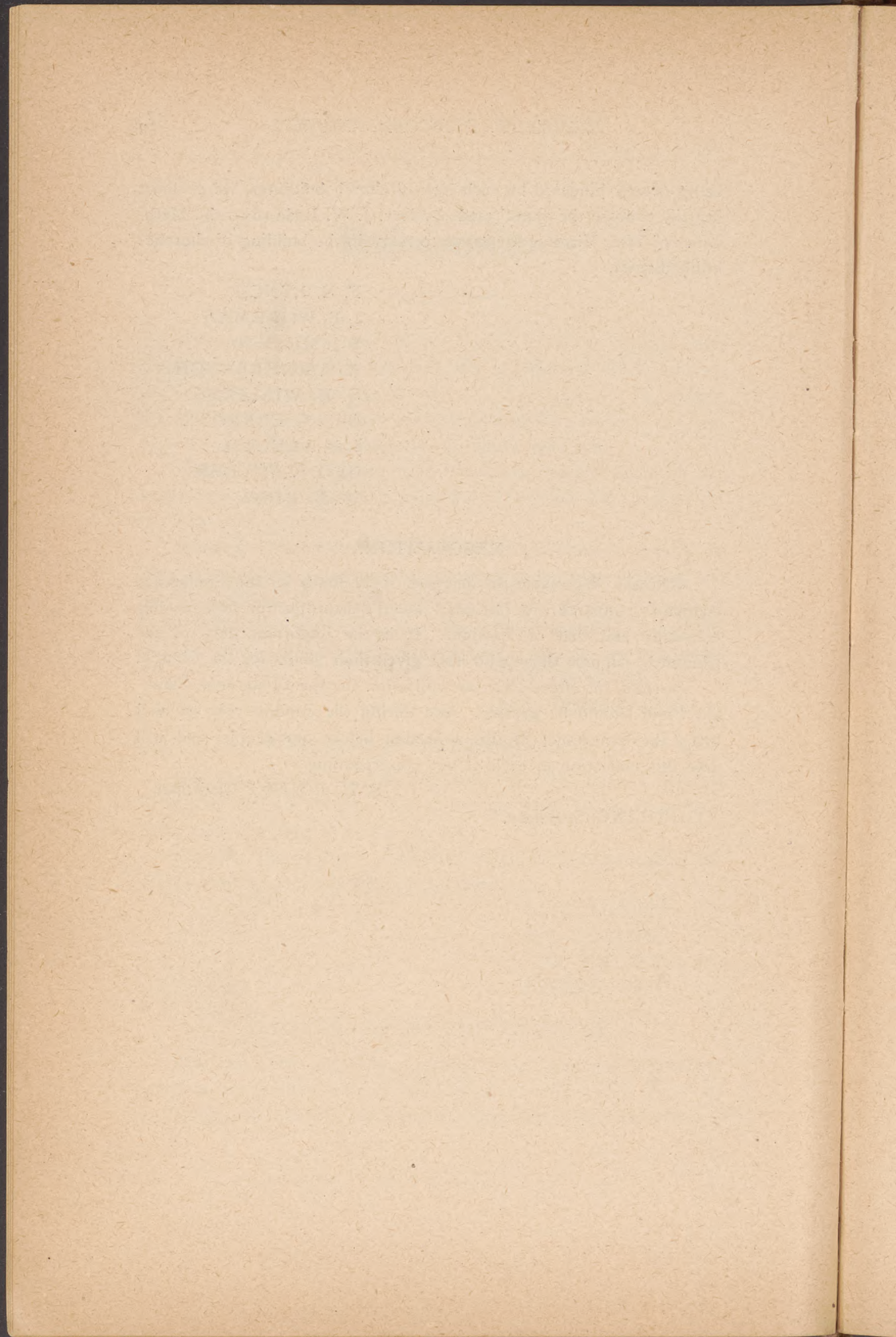
RESOLUTION.

Whereas, We regret the decrease of the funds for the Conference claimants compared with last year; also the disproportion between this collection and that of Missions. It is the important duty of the Church to support those who have given their labors for the Church.

Resolved, therefore, That our collection for the Conference Claimant Fund should be greater. And during the coming year we will bring the importance of this collection before our people, and will take this collection in each of our congregations.

F. H. J. KING, Chairman.

C. POLING, Secretary.



STATISTICAL.

S. P. CRUMMET, - - - - STATISTICAL SECRETARY.

Address: Wheeling, W. Va.

A. S. ARNETT, - - - - - TREASURER.

Address: Davis, W. Va.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'P.				BAPT'M'S.		S. SCHOOLS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of probationers....	No. of full members....	No. of local preachers..	No. of deaths.....	No. of children Baptized.....	No. of adults baptized.	No. of schools	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on church property.	Present indebtedness on church property.
Addison.....	9	354	2	3	1	3	6	42	350	6	\$ 5700	1	\$ 800	\$ 15	\$ 55	\$ 225
Barbour.....	9	208	2	3	1	3	6	35	126	5	3000	1	15	20	1794	20
Belington.....	9	266	1	3	1	3	4	23	295	4	9000	1	175	1794	1794	1794
Beverly.....	8	175	2	3	11	3	3	30	170	1	2800	1	1000	150	450	450
Beverly Circuit.....	2	111	2	2	4	4	2	24	125	2	300	1	1500	205	450	450
Buckhannon.....	6	420	4	3	5	1	6	26	310	1	4500	1	1500	205	450	450
Beckhannon Circuit.....	7	424	1	2	1	2	8	24	240	8	8400	1	500	400	150	150
Cleveland.....	6	151	1	1	1	1	6	42	293	2	1800	1	200	60	75	75
Cowan.....	5	150	1	1	1	1	4	30	230	2	2000	1	500	400	150	150
Cutlipville.....	5	150	1	1	11	6	5	25	250	2	1500	1	507	144	144	144
Duffy.....	17	352	4	1	1	2	4	33	150	5	4200	1	450	68	68	68
East Buckhannon.....	21	279	2	1	1	22	7	48	296	7	4450	1	80	95	93	93
Elkins.....	145	145	2	2	19	3	1	13	190	1	3200	1	80	300	300	300
Fiatwoods.....	17	162	1	1	2	3	12	105	5650	1	500	1	750	80	500	500
Freemansburg.....	12	368	4	4	19	6	49	273	5000	7	5000	1	800	40	125	125
Frenchton.....	23	367	1	7	1	61	5	63	313	5	4000	1	500	995	400	400
Glenville.....	15	392	1	11	1	4	34	187	6000	1	700	1	200	200	400	400
Holly Grove.....	12	339	2	3	30	8	68	328	4700	7	750	1	310	67	47	47
Montrose.....	21	181	2	6	1	19	6	54	287	3	2000	1	400	1100	1100	1100
Mingo.....	13	70	1	1	1	1	10	90	300	1	300	1	500	40	125	125
Newlon.....	4	190	1	1	1	1	6	31	205	4	3800	1	350	125	125	125
Philippi.....	16	471	1	1	26	5	47	280	5000	5	5000	1	1000	150	150	150
South Buckhannon.....	10	444	1	3	19	6	52	357	4000	6	4000	1	800	900	600	1100
Sutton.....	18	366	1	3	7	56	460	5	11800	1	5200	1	600	45	20	100
Tenmile.....	51	349	1	1	25	6	49	300	9000	9	9000	1	1000	14	14	14
Troy.....	18	486	1	1	6	60	400	9	5000	1	5000	1	100	100	100	100
Weston.....	4	235	5	5	1	15	125	1	4900	1	4900	1	300	7	245	245
Weston Circuit.....	58	292	2	2	2	39	9	72	305	6	4900	1	300	7	245	245
Total.....	387	7877	29	75	40	300	137	1120	7040	121	\$117200	20	\$17750	\$5006	\$1749	\$6286

Statistics No. 3.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUP'T OF SUP. OF P. ELDERS. BISH'PS				Total support pastors, presiding elders and bishops.....	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		CUR'ENT EXP'NS'S.		
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Am't apportioned....	Amount paid.....	Am't apportioned....	Amount paid.....		REC'D FROM		Total.....	Church: See to n, light, fuel, etc.....	Sundardschool: Lesson leaves, books, etc.....
		Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....	Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....						Collections.....	Other sources.....			
Addison.....	Geo. E. Ward.....	500	50	550	415	50	465	85	51	50	6	6	521	20	20	35	44
Barbour.....	Levi Cross.....	200		200	100		100	100	30	30	2	2	132		2	10	10
Belington.....	P. C. Mays.....	420		420	371		371	49	45	45	4	4	418		2	6	53
Beverly.....	J. W. Engle.....	400		400	300		300	100	48	48	6	6	350		2	7	60
Beverly Circuit.....	G. W. White.....	200		200	186		186	14	25	25	2	2	213		2	4	12
Buckhannon.....	A. Mick.....	1100	125	1225	1100	125	1225		110	110	12	12	1347	28	11	39	203
Buckhannon Circuit.....	F. H. J. King.....	554	50	604	487	50	537	67	100	78	3	3	618	13	4	17	200
Cleveland.....	G. Williamson.....	200		200	126		126	74	28	28	6	6	155	2	1	3	5
Cowan.....	F. H. Hawk.....	265	60	325	225	60	285	40	28	28	2	2	313	1		1	10
Cutlipville.....	Geo. J. Crafts.....	143		143	101		100	43	20	20	2	1	121	1		1	3
Duffy.....	W. T. W. Sleith.....	300	25	325	260	25	285	40	36	36	4	4	325	5		5	10
East Buckhannon.....	Martin Talbot.....	400		400	300		300	100	36	36	4	3	339	5	3	8	55
Elkins.....	Geo. E. Morris.....	600		600	600		600		45	45	6	6	651	15		15	100
Flatwood.....	Fred Cottrell.....	420	50	470	285	50	335	135	50	50	6	6	387	2		2	10
Freemansburg.....	J. A. Marteney.....	425	75	500	395	75	470	30	60	60	6	6	536	20	3	23	20
Frenchton.....	L. E. Resseger.....	500	50	550	500	50	550		65	65	6	6	651	14		14	20
Glenville.....	J. C. Strader.....	500	75	575	414	75	489	86	65	63	6	6	558	6	4	10	30
Holly Grove.....	O. N. Marple.....	410	50	460	394	50	444	16	40	40	5	5	489	12	4	16	38
Montrose.....	H. M. Strader.....	300		300	256		256	44	32	32	4	4	292	12		12	40
Mingo.....	P. W. Shrader, Sup.....	180	30	210	110	30	140	70	28	28	2	2	171	2		2	15
Newlon.....	N. L. Anderson.....	325	50	375	275	50	325	50	38	38	3	1	364	2	3	5	20
Philippi.....	C. B. Meredith.....	500	100	600	469	100	569	31	65	65	6	6	640	9		9	26
South Buckhannon.....	T. W. Chidester.....	600		600	600		600		70	70	7	3	673	12	5	17	85
Sutton.....	G. D. Smith.....	650	75	725	650	75	725		70	70	7	7	802	12		12	75
Tenmile.....	John O. Bolton.....	400	50	450	340	50	390	60	40	40	5	5	435	6	3	9	20
Troy.....	A. L. Ireland.....	500	50	550	383	50	433	117	65	65			498	5	5	10	100
Weston.....	W. J. Harkness.....	900	180	1080	900	180	1080		100	100	10	8	1188	24	9	33	129
Weston Circuit.....	P. L. Bent.....	400	30	430	312	30	342	88	40	40	6	4	386	10	3	13	38
Total.....		12292	1175	13467	10853	1175	12028	1439	1430	1405	134	110	13543	250	65	315	1335

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.....	Sunday school union..	Tract Society.....	Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society.....	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society.....	Women's Foreign Missionary Society.....	Women's Home Missionary Society.....	Total of other benevolent collections.....	General conference expenses.....
	a. Church.....	b. Sunday school..	Total.....					a. Public educational collection..	b. Children's fund..					
Addison.....	60	6	60	2	4	6	2	5	4	6	6		6	
Barbour.....	8	8	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	
Belington.....	4	14	18	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	
Beverly.....	11	10	21	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	
Beverly Circuit.....	10	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	
Buckhannon.....	116	39	155	20	2	2	12	55	1	1	1		1	
Buckhannon Circuit.....	40	10	50	2	1	1	2	2	1	1	1		1	
Cleveland.....	10	5	10	2	1	1	2	2	1	1	1		1	
Cowan.....	20	20	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	
Cutlipville.....	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	
Duffy.....	12	6	18	4	2	2	1	6	1	1	1		1	
East Buckhannon.....	42	42	42	8	1	1	1	6	1	1	1		1	
Elkins.....	8	2	10	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	
Flatwoods.....	35	35	35	10	1	1	1	5	1	1	1		1	
Freemansburg.....	100	100	100	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1		1	
Frenchton.....	21	21	21	1	1	1	4	3	1	1	1		1	
Glenville.....	65	65	65	2	1	1	2	12	1	1	1		1	
Holly Grove.....	45	45	45	1	1	1	2	12	2	1	1		1	
Montrose.....	9	9	9	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	1		1	
Mingo.....	40	10	50	2	1	1	1	10	4	1	1		1	
Newlon.....	36	36	36	1	2	1	2	2	1	1	1		1	
Philippi.....	36	36	36	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1		1	
South Buckhannon.....	20	30	50	1	1	1	2	20	12	1	1		12	1
Sutton.....	65	65	65	1	1	1	1	5	3	1	1		1	
Tenmile.....	20	20	20	1	1	1	1	1	4	11	1		1	
Troy.....	35	45	80	1	3	1	5	15	1	1	1		1	
Weston.....	15	15	30	1	1	1	1	10	1	1	1		1	
Weston Circuit.....	15	15	30	1	1	1	1	10	1	1	1		1	
Total.....	\$786	\$186	\$972	\$125	\$ 29	\$ 27	\$ 85	\$187	\$ 53	\$ 6	\$ 11		\$ 20	\$ 1

Statistics No. 1.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'S				BAPT'M'S		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers...	No. of full members...	No. of local preachers.	No. of deaths.....	No. of children bapt- tized.....	No. of adults baptized.	No. of Schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.....	Paid on old indebted- ness on church prop- erty.....	Present indebtedness on church property...
Arnoldsburg.....	12	289	3	1	2	12	4	14	112	3	\$2400	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Buffalo.....	26	163	2	1	4	22	5	30	175	3	2250			100		244
Charleston—State Street.....	35	385	1	2			1	52	629	1	12000	1	4000	85		
Charleston—Bowman.....	17	132	1	1	1		1	14	198	1	2000				82	385
Charleston—Ct.....	13	165		3		2	4	22	200		2800	1	500	700		
Cicerone.....	20	163	2	1		7	3	27	150	1	700					
Clendenen.....	17	169	1	1	2	2	4	26	165	3	1600	1	400	20		
Clifton and Mason.....	25	285		3	15	25	4	48	300	3	2500	1	500	60		
Cottageville.....	10	267		5	10	14	4	35	281	4	4000	1	900	1000		
Danville.....	30	160	1	1		45	5	40	330	2	1800					
Elmwood.....	4	145	2	1		5	4	29	160	1	200	1	350	73		
Evans.....	11	90	2	1	1	4	4	20	175	3	2000				150	175
Goldtown.....	19	112	1	2		6	5	41	251	1	800	1	400			
Graham.....	30	325	3	2	3	25	4	30	278	2	2000			78		
Hartford City.....		270	1	6		1	3	47	300	3	3000	1	950	150	50	50
Leon.....	5	92	1	1	1	2	3	12	75	4	1500			5		20
Malden.....	7	57	1	1			1	12	100	1	1000	1	400	25		16
Mount Union.....	39	201	2	3		32	5	36	200	5	3200	1	300	75		
Noile.....	31	340	1	3	6	23	6	40	370	6	4400			40	25	175
Point Pleasant.....	20	100	1	2	1		1	12	100	1	5000	1	1500		1936	
Ravenswood.....	11	131	1	1		1	1	15	143	1	1500	1	1500			
Raymond.....	4	55	1	1		2	1	8	45	1	1200					
Reedy.....	29	160	1	3		24	6	42	250	3	2500			500	40	15
Ripley.....	13	131		2	1	4	3	32	177	3	2000	1	500	10		100
Spencer.....	7	93	1	3		2	2	15	110	2	1800	1	1000			
Walton.....	28	248	1	3	3	31	4	32	225	5	4000				15	
West Charleston.....		120	2	1		4	3	25	125	2	900					
Total.....	461	4837	33	54	50	298	91	756	5677	70	\$69050	14	\$13200	2921	2928	\$1185

Statistics No. 3.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTORS' SUPPORT.						SUP'RT OF SUP. OF P. ELDERS. BISH'PS				Total support: pastors, presiding elders and bish-ops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.			CUR' ENT EXP'NS'S.	
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.	Amount appropriat- ed.	Amount paid.	Amount Appropriat- ed.		Amount paid.	REC'D FROM		Total.	Church: saxon, light, fuel, etc.
		Salary	House rent	Total.	Salary	House rent	Total.							Collections.	Other sources.		
Arnoldsburg	J. M. Kinder	300	15	315	250	15	265	50	50	50	5	3	318	2	2	4	4
Buffalo	W. W. Burton	200		200	185		185	15	32	32	13	3	220	4			28
Charleston, State St.	A. B. Riker	1800	300	2100	1800	300	2100		120	120	14	14	2234	40		40	315
Charleston, Bowman	C. R. Shackelford	500	90	590	400	90	490	100	44	30	6	4	524	4		4	25
Charleston, Ct.	W. P. Guinn	415	50	465	352	50	402	63	50	50	4	4	456	4		4	38
Cicerone	W. B. Parsons	215		215	168		168	47	40	32			201				7
Clendenen	W. H. Hammond	350	50	400	310	50	360	40	46	46	4	4	410	2	4	6	10
Clifton and Mason	A. Merrill	600	30	630	600	30	630		56	56			690	1		1	50
Cottageville	E. L. Meadows	450	100	550	450	100	550		45	45	4	4	599	3	4	7	75
Danaville	J. M. Gross	370		370	290		290	80	42	37	4	2	329	2	2	2	100
Elmwood	W. H. Mahan	180	25	205	168	25	193	12	32	32	4	4	229	2	2	4	50
Evans	O. A. Kelly	275		275	200		200	75	40	40	2	2	242	2	1	3	29
Goldtown	B. A. Mottice	120		120	100		100	20	40	40	2	2	142	1		1	20
Graham Mines	J. W. Crawford	300		300	240		240	60	45	45	4	4	289	5		5	11
Hartford City	C. Hely Molony	500	60	560	468	60	528	32	56	56	4	4	588	6		6	45
Leon	Z. T. Scantlin	200		200	82		82	118	40	32	4	3	116				99
Malden	A. J. Lyda	300	60	360	100	60	160	200	40	24	6	1	185	2	3	5	15
Mount Union	P. D. Fisher	375	50	425	395	50	445		40	40	4	3	488	2		2	29
Noble	G. W. Alley	500		500	520		520		65	65	5	5	590	10		10	20
Point Pleasant	W. J. Holt	450	150	600	550	150	700		57	57	7	7	764	10		10	36
Ravenswood	C. J. Triplett, S. J. Miller	450	120	570	400	120	520	50	45	45	4	4	569	1	1	2	45
Raymond	L. E. Leslie	350		350	223		223	127	32	32	2	2	257	2		2	30
Reedy	W. T. McCutcheon	315		315	226		226	89	32	32	2	2	260	2		2	13
Ripley	J. J. White	400	60	460	259	60	319	141	50	35	4	2	356	2		2	45
Spencer	E. A. Davis	402	100	502	342	100	442	60	45	40	6	2	484	2		2	28
Walton	H. K. Riffe	320	30	350	280	30	310	40	50	50	4	2	364	2	3	5	45
West Charleston	A. J. L. Curtis	400		400	285		285	115	40	26	3	2	313	6	3	9	25
Total		11137	1290	12427	9643	1290	10943	1534	1274	1189	102	85	12217	117	25	142	1239
																	1240

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.....	Sunday School Union..	Tract Society.....	Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society.....	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society.....	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.....	Woman's Home Missionary Society.....	Total Other Benevolent Collections.....	General Conference Expenses.....
	a. Church.....	b. Sunday School..	Total.....					a. Public Educational Collection	b. Children's Fund.....					
Arnoldsburg.....	10	2	12	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 25	\$ 4	\$ 18	\$..	\$ 25	\$..
Buffalo.....	5	5	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	..	..	..	..
Charleston—State Street.....	70	165	235	12	5	5	12	35	25	..	..	..	25	..
Charleston—Bowman.....	3	13	16	3	..	..	2	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Charleston Circuit.....	10	..	10	3	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..
Cicerone.....	6	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clendenen.....	15	10	25	3	1	1	3	5	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clifton and Mason.....	10	6	16	1	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..
Cottageville.....	10	15	25	3	1	1	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	..
Danaville.....	8	2	10	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Elmwood.....	9	2	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Evans.....	5	10	15	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Goldtown.....	6	..	6	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Graham Mines.....	7	6	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hartford City.....	24	26	50	2	1	1	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Leon.....	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Malden.....	2	3	5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mount Union.....	5	3	8	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Noble.....	36	4	40	3	1	1	3	8	4	..	..	..	..	..
Point Pleasant.....	27	8	35	4	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ravenswood.....	14	10	24	1	1	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Raymond.....	6	2	8	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Reedy.....	9	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ripley.....	8	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Spencer.....	12	..	12	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Walton.....	30	..	30	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Charleston.....	18	2	20	2	1	1	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..
Total.....	367	294	661	43	16	15	37	62	44	4	19	1	25	1

Statistics No. 1.

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'P.				BAPT' MS.		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers....	No. of full members...	No. of local preachers.	No. of deaths.....	No. of children baptized.	No. of adults baptized.	No. of schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages....	Paid on old indebtedness on church property.....	Present indebtedness on church property..
Bridgeport.....	2	292	...	2	...	15	3	17	140	4	\$ 4000	1	\$ 1200	\$ 10	\$	\$ 700
Barnesville.....	7	153	...	1	...	7	...	27	180	4	3400	...	5	84	57	...
Clarksburg.....	12	340	1	5	6	2	2	20	310	1	18000	1	2500	40	600	1200
Fairmont.....	20	403	4	1	10	20	1	25	275	1	15000	1	5000	5000	...	...
Farmington.....	22	365	...	3	3	13	7	48	365	7	8500	1	1800	25	60	...
Jarvisville.....	2	236	1	2	2	1	6	51	328	6	3000	1	800	95	175	275
Logansport.....	13	260	...	4	...	7	5	47	320	5	6700	1	900	79	...	11
Lumberport.....	9	447	1	2	...	34	8	56	400	7	5800	1	600	...	...	...
Mannington.....	50	250	4	6	2	60	1	20	200	2	20000	1	1000	9000	100	8000
Marion.....	13	125	...	1	...	18	4	43	187	4	4300	1	600	1232	...	...
Mt. Clare.....	7	288	1	...	...	4	5	46	262	3	5000	1	900	...	100	...
Pine Grove.....	11	444	2	4	...	22	6	48	400	6	3400	...	...	450	...	25
Pruntytown.....	64	350	...	3	...	49	4	36	260	4	9500	1	900	1800	...	150
Salem.....	8	257	...	2	...	18	5	33	245	5	5500	1	300	...	...	...
Shinston.....	7	200	1	...	5	18	4	22	260	4	6000	...	...	1000	75	...
Smithton.....	15	214	...	5	1	9	5	30	210	5	3000	1	500	125	...	20
West Milford.....	6	264	...	3	...	...	4	27	190	4	2000	1	700	...	...	...
Wilsonburg.....	7	175	2	5	...	11	4	24	156	4	4000	1	450	100	...	...
Wyatt.....	20	100	...	2	...	5	...	...	...	2	500	1	500	300	...	...
Total.....	295	5163	17	56	29	313	77	620	4682	77	\$127600	16	\$18650	\$19261	\$1194	\$10438

Statistics No. 3.

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTORS' SUPPORT.							SUP'RT OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISH'PS		Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders and Bishops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.			CUR' ENT EXP'NS'S.	
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies	Am't apportioned.	Amount paid.	Am't apportioned.	Amount paid.		REC'D FROM		Total.	Church : Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc.,	Sunday School: Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.
		Salary	House rent.	Total.	Salary.	House rent.	Total.							Collections.	Other Sources.			
Bridgeport	C. Poling	415	100	515	310	89	399	116	50	28	5	5	427	9	....	9	30	45
Barnesville	L. S. Carter	325	....	325	228	....	228	97	48	48	5	5	281	10	....	10	50	35
Clarksburg	G. W. Grimes	1200	200	1400	1200	200	1400	....	105	105	16	16	1521	48	....	48	200	100
Fairmont	N. B. Johnson	1000	240	1240	1000	240	1240	....	100	100	16	16	1356	50	....	50	220	160
Farmington	D. A. Friend	500	150	650	500	150	650	....	70	70	13	5	725	12	5	17	65	50
Jarvisville	B. B. Brooks	395	60	455	300	60	360	95	60	45	5	2	407	2	3	5	20	30
Loganport	W. R. Hennon	440	60	500	415	60	475	25	68	63	8	2	546	12	....	12	82	32
Lumberport	L. N. Colfield	600	50	650	460	50	510	140	66	57	10	5	572	6	4	10	....	....
Mannington	W. B. King	800	200	1000	800	200	1000	....	90	90	9	9	1099	40	....	40	75	150
Marion	W. D. Reed	350	50	400	250	50	300	100	48	48	5	5	353	10	2	12	30	27
Mt. Clare	T. Richmond	450	75	525	410	75	485	40	68	59	10	6	550	10	4	14	30	34
Pine Grove	T. McCoy	400	36	436	287	36	323	113	50	52	5	1	376	6	....	6	80	30
Pruntytown	J. F. Arnold	400	100	500	400	100	500	....	50	41	8	1	542	2	2	4	75	80
Salem	T. G. Meredith	425	75	500	430	75	505	....	68	68	5	4	577	4	4	8	75	35
Shinston	F. B. Davis	375	55	430	375	55	430	....	50	50	5	5	485	....	3	3	50	65
Smithton	J. F. McClure	320	30	350	236	30	266	84	52	43	5	4	313	2	2	4	36	20
West Milford	M. W. Rider	450	75	525	400	75	475	50	70	65	10	9	549	9	4	13	85	35
Wilsonburg	A. D. Garrett	350	50	400	325	50	375	25	52	42	5	5	417	....	3	3	75	40
Wyatt	J. F. Cheneweth	160	10	170	162	10	172	....	48	48	3	1	221	1	1	2	....	....
Total		9355	1616	10971	8488	1605	10093	885	1213	1122	138	102	11317	233	37	270	1278	968

Statistics No. 4.

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.....	Sunday school union..	Tract Society.....	Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society.....	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society.....	Women's Foreign Missionary Society.....	Women's Home Missionary Society.....	Total other benevolent collections.....	General conference expenses.....
	Total.....	b. Sunday school..	a. Church.....					b. Children's fund..	a. Public educational collection..					
Bridgeport.....	\$ 15	\$ 10	\$ 25	\$ 10	\$ 2	\$ 2	\$ 2	\$ 9	\$ 10	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 60	.....
Barnesville.....	10	15	25	10	2	2	2	10	10	1	1	1	.....	.....
Clarksburg.....	50	50	100	20	1	1	1	40	10	1	1	1	.....	.....
Fairmont.....	52	108	160	5	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	.....	.....
Farmington.....	60	20	80	5	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	.....	.....
Jarvisville.....	10	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	.....	.....
Logansport.....	17	4	21	1	2	1	1	8	8	1	1	1	.....	.....
Lumberport.....	6	20	26	1	1	1	1	7	2	1	1	1	.....	.....
Mannington.....	60	40	100	10	2	2	2	20	12	1	1	1	.....	.....
Marion.....	9	35	44	5	2	2	2	12	7	1	1	1	.....	.....
Mt. Clare.....	40	2	42	2	1	1	1	11	4	1	1	1	.....	.....
Pine Grove.....	14	2	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....
Pruntytown.....	7	2	9	1	1	1	1	5	1	1	1	1	.....	.....
Salem.....	8	22	30	3	1	1	1	8	18	1	1	1	.....	.....
Shinston.....	19	1	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....
Smithton.....	9	2	11	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	.....	.....
West Milford.....	20	17	37	4	2	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	.....	.....
Wilsonburg.....	10	5	15	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	.....	.....
Wyatt.....	4	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....
Total.....	\$420	\$359	\$779	\$ 75	\$ 21	\$ 16	\$ 61	\$131	\$ 58	\$ 5	\$ 2	\$ 2	\$ 64	.....

Statistics No. 1.

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'P.				BAPT'M'S		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers...	No. of full members...	No. of local preachers.	No. of deaths.....	No. of children baptized.....	No. of adults baptized.	No. of Schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.....	Paid on old indebtedness on church property.....	Present indebtedness on church property..
Ashton.....	27	177	1	1	7	2	6	60	2	\$ 1200	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 92
Cassville.....	9	180	5	1	1	2	50	150	6	2800	1	1500	1500	150	507	507
Central City.....	13	72	1	1	2	2	19	170	1	1600	1	1600	150	150	150	150
Central City Circuit.....	17	60	1	1	1	1	4	30	1	1800	1	900	100	60	150	150
Ceredo.....	7	99	1	1	2	17	16	120	1	200	2	200	1	1	1	1
Coal River.....	49	145	4	1	1	4	22	120	2	230	1	230	1	1	1	1
Coalburg.....	46	94	1	1	1	4	32	230	1	100	1	100	1	1	1	1
Copleyville.....	40	153	4	3	3	4	12	90	1	90	1	90	1	1	1	1
Dingess.....	10	25	1	1	2	2	9	30	1	200	1	200	1	1	1	1
East Hamlin.....	15	93	1	1	10	1	6	30	2	1200	1	1200	1	3	1	1
Egypt.....	34	122	1	1	11	4	32	163	1	1000	1	1000	1	400	1	1
Fairfield.....	26	122	1	1	22	3	22	130	1	2600	1	1200	107	107	1	1
Guyandotte.....	12	138	1	1	6	23	1	150	1	2700	4	2700	500	150	150	150
Hamlin.....	12	207	4	1	22	4	42	250	4	2200	1	450	600	239	280	280
Hart's Creek.....	2	12	1	1	4	2	3	255	4	18000	1	2500	156	141	141	141
Henderson.....	22	220	1	1	20	4	30	225	1	4100	1	4100	141	239	280	280
Huntington 1st Church.....	18	300	1	1	2	1	30	225	1	4100	1	4100	141	239	280	280
Huntington 7th avenue.....	8	290	1	1	6	2	13	100	3	1800	1	390	6	6	6	6
Hurricane.....	38	105	1	1	1	24	40	236	1	390	1	390	6	6	6	6
Kanawha City.....	58	134	3	1	1	12	3	20	110	1	1600	1	1600	150	850	850
Kanawha City No. 2.....	10	28	1	1	4	1	5	30	1	2150	1	300	25	25	25	25
Kenova.....	3	25	1	1	3	4	22	127	3	12	1	12	1	1	1	1
Milton City.....	21	272	3	3	6	4	22	125	3	2500	1	400	1	1	1	1
Pigeon Creek.....	9	29	1	1	1	1	3	27	1	2200	1	2200	1	1	1	1
Reed.....	57	154	3	1	24	4	22	125	3	2500	1	400	1	1	1	1
St. Albans.....	21	112	1	1	7	12	2	14	80	2	1600	1	400	1	1	1
Sheridan.....	6	97	1	1	1	1	3	27	1	2200	1	2200	1	1	1	1
Stone Coal.....	35	65	1	1	5	2	1	6	27	1	2200	1	2200	1	1	1
Thacker's.....	17	27	1	1	1	2	12	85	1	1000	1	1000	1	600	111	111
Wayne.....	10	301	3	2	1	23	4	40	325	4	2850	1	400	1	1	1
Williamson.....	62	90	1	2	2	52	4	18	71	2	1200	1	750	150	150	150
Winfield.....	11	98	1	2	5	4	30	125	2	1000	1	500	20	20	20	20
Winifrede.....	25	137	2	1	1	74	2	16	100	2	2200	1	719	656	656	656
Total.....	740	4095	44	49	46	432	81	633	3932	52	\$55812	9	\$7050	\$6228	\$ 299	\$2950

Statistics No. 3.

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR	PASTORS' SUPPORT.						SUP'RT OF P. ELDS.		SUP. OF BISH'PS		Total support: pastors, presiding elders and bish-ops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.			CUR' ENT EXP'NS'S.			
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.	Amt apportioned.	Amount paid.	Amt apportioned.		Amount paid.	REC'D FR 'M		Total.	Church light, fuel, etc.	Sunday school: lesson leaves, books, etc.	
		Salary.	House rent.	Total.	Salary.	House rent.	Total.							Collections.	Other sources.				
Ashton.	S. G. Noble, Sup.	300		300	60		60	240	30	10			70						
Cassville.	William Fallen	400	20	420	142	20	162	288	34	27	2	1	190			1	5		
Central City.	M. E. Goodrich	400		400	309		309	91	30		2	1	312	1	2	3	40		106
Central City Circuit.	C. G. McAvoy	100		100	35		35	65	15				42	1					
Ceredo.	W. S. Nicholson	500	125	625	266	125	391	234	32	32		2	425		2	2	30		40
Coal River.	T. T. Frasure, Sup.	450	25	475	140	25	165	310	30	30	1	1	196						7
Coalburg.	T. F. Everhart, Sup.	500		500	274		274	226	37	21			295						
Copleyville.	W. B. Young, Sup.	400		400	60		60	340	29	18			78						5
Dingess.	H. P. Williams, Sup.	150		150	29		29	121	26	20			49						
East Hamlin.	A. C. Hicks, Sup.	225		225	137		137	88	23	18			155						2
Egypt.	A. M. Grimes.	200		200	42		42	158	29	19	1	1	62		1	1	8		20
Fairfield.	S. M. Day.	590	60	650	545	60	605	45	50	50	5	5	660	6		6	69		45
Guyandotte.	H. C. Howard.	400	125	525	400	125	525		48	48	3	3	575	4	4	8	75		25
Hamlin.	F. W. Queen	375	25	400	300	25	325	75	47	47	3	2	374	2	3	5	12		58
Hart's Creek.	H. L. Sheldon, Sup.	100		100	12		12	88	20	6			18						
Henderson.	B. D. Mahone.	440	60	500	386	60	446	54	50	50	4	4	500	4	4	8	24		19
Huntington 1st Church.	S. K. Arbutnot.	1200	300	1500	1050	300	1350	150	100	80	9	5	1435	16	15	31	298		91
Huntington 7th Avenue.	H. Scott.	900		900	650		650	250	46	46	5	5	701	16	6	22	110		60
Hurricane.	G. W. Moore, Sup.	300		300	200		200	100	25	16			216						
Kanawha City.	John McKendree, Sup.	370		370	140		140	230	20	15	1	1	156						11
Kanawha City No. 2.	L. Bowers, Sup.	100		100	85		85	15	10	6			91		1	1			
Kenova.	M. D. Booth, Sup.	240		240	115		115	125	24	7			122				40		16
Milton City.	J. J. Fischer.	350	75	425	172	75	247	178	47	33	4	2	282						3
Pigeon Creek.	D. H. Trembly, Sup.	100		100	18		18	82	23	3			21						26
Reed.	H. A. Barlow	325	26	351	233	26	259	82	30	24	2	1	294	1		1	25		3
St. Albans.	B. F. Howell.	400	40	440	124	12	136	304	31	23	1	1	159				22		12
Sheridan.	W. M. Stephens, Sup.	150		150	25		25	125	22	8	1		33						3
Stone Coal.	A. J. Harvey	200		200	80		80	120	25	12			92						1
Thacker's.	H. V. Kingsley	300		300	200		200	100	28	28			228	1		1			15
Wayne.	J. B. Workman.	400	50	450	312	50	362	88	46	46	3	3	411	8	3	11	50		36
Williamson.	R. F. Farley.	600		600	97		97	303	28	17			114				2		13
Winfield.	H. M. Poling	360	60	420	296	60	296	124	44	38	3	2	336	1		1	20		25
Winfrede.	B. F. Mottice.	580	70	650	400	70	470	180	41	41	3	3	514						
Total.		12205	1061	13266	7294	1033	8327	4949	1020	846	54	41	9204	61	41	102	830		636

Statistics No. 4.

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.	Sunday School Union.	Tract Society.	Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society.	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society.	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.
	a. Church.	b. Sunday School.	Total.					a. Public Educational Collection.	b. Children's Fund.		
Ashton	\$ 5	\$ 5	\$ 5	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 2	\$..	\$..	\$..
Cassville	16	16	16	1	1	1	1	2	2	..	..
Central City	10	8	18	3	1	1	1	..	..	..	..
Central City Circuit	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ceredo	11	11	22	3	..	..	2	2	2	..	..
Coal River	9	..	9	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coalburg	20	..	20	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..
Copleyville	5	2	7	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..
Dingress	15	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
East Hamlin	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Egypt	12	..	12	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..
Fairfield	27	..	27	5	1	1	3	5	..	..	..
Guyandotte	33	7	40	1	1	1	1	5	..	..	..
Hamlin	22	..	22	3	1	1	1	..	..	..	3
Hart's Creek	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Henderson	23	12	35	4	1	1	2	2	4	..	..
Huntington 1st Church	105	59	164	8	1	1	3	10	10	1	90
Huntington 7th Avenue	42	40	82	6	1	1	4	3	3	..	..
Hurricane	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kanawha City	18	4	22	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..
Kanawha City No. 2	10	..	10	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kenova	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Milton City	8	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pigeon Creek	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Reed	10	4	14	3	..	..	1	..	7	..	..
St. Albans	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheridan	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stone Coal	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Thacker's	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wayne	12	10	22	4	1	1	2	3	4	..	..
Williamson	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Winfield	15	1	16	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	..
Winifrede	40	..	40	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Total	\$485	\$158	\$643	\$ 55	\$ 11	\$ 8	\$ 27	\$ 31	\$ 32	\$ 1	\$ 90
										\$ 3	

Statistics No. 1.

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'P.				BAPT'MS.		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers.....	No. of full members...	No. of local preachers.	No. of deaths.....	No. of children baptized.....	No. of adults baptized.	No. of schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.....	Paid on old indebtedness on church property.....	Present indebtedness on church property..
Arnettville.....	2	350	2	5	...	35	7	50	300	4	\$ 3400	1	\$1000	\$ 150	...	...
Blackville.....	5	478	1	6	...	21	4	42	270	4	9300	1	1250	75	650	...
Grafton.....	63	541	3	...	...	79	1	25	335	1	20000	1	3500	1200	...	...
Halleck.....	7	334	...	...	...	14	6	55	400	6	5000	1	600	...	...	18
Jollytown.....	4	340	1	2	4	2	5	49	387	5	4300	1	1800	60	...	100
Kingwood.....	5	180	...	1	...	10	1	18	175	1	7500	1	2500	...	...	...
Knottsville.....	13	427	...	3	2	14	4	32	200	5	4200	1	500	600	...	150
Littleton.....	1	110	2	...	...	...	3	24	207	3	3900	1	1100	20	20	11
Masontown.....	1	278	...	3	...	...	5	37	200	5	4400	1	1000	50	...	...
Monongalia.....	2	375	1	5	...	...	6	55	340	6	7100	1	2500	...	...	60
Morgantown.....	8	354	1	3	12	2	1	20	231	1	5000	1	5000	...	...	1400
Morgantown Circuit.....	21	474	4	8	...	13	8	62	395	7	4600	...	...	40	...	...
Palatine.....	5	275	1	3	4	8	1	18	260	1	5000	1	1500	125	...	...
Palatine Circuit.....	18	633	2	4	3	35	7	72	375	7	6700	...	...	405	...	70
Tunnelton.....	23	364	1	1	1	2	7	35	220	4	2700	1	700	112	35	...
Wadestown.....	5	387	2	2	...	7	5	56	314	5	7500	1	1300	1338	...	250
Total.....	187	5900	21	46	33	242	71	650	4609	65	\$100600	14	\$24250	\$4375	\$705	\$2059

Statistics No. 3.

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUP'T OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISH'PS		Total support pastors, presiding elders and bishops.....	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		CURRENT EXP'NS'S.			
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.....	Am't apportioned...	Amount paid.....	Am't apportioned...		Amount paid.....	REC'D FROM		Total.....	Church: See to n, light, fuel, etc.....	Sunday school: Lesson leaves, books, etc.....
		Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....	Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....							Collections.....	Other sources...			
Arnettsville.....	F. M. Cain.....	450	50	500	430	50	480	20	75	75	...	2	557	5	..	5	50	30
Blackville.....	G. H. Williams.....	600	150	750	600	150	750	...	80	80	13	10	840	15	6	21	75	140
Grafton.....	F. N. Lynch.....	1200	250	1450	1200	250	1450	...	108	108	15	15	1573	40	12	52	292	111
Halleck.....	B. L. Mercer.....	400	50	450	371	50	421	29	64	64	9	3	488	3	..	..	40	11
Jollytown.....	F. G. W. Ford.....	450	100	550	450	100	550	...	65	65	5	5	620	10	5	15	72	15
Kingwood.....	C. E. Shaw.....	700	150	850	622	150	772	78	83	83	10	8	863	21	..	21	100	50
Knottsville.....	E. A. Barnes.....	475	75	550	469	75	544	6	80	80	11	6	630	19	5	24	70	30
Littleton.....	U. S. G. Carroll.....	320	100	420	320	100	420	...	60	60	5	3	483	4	3	7	50	28
Masontown.....	M. Knotts.....	413	75	488	363	75	438	50	60	60	7	4	502	4	2	6	80	30
Monongalia.....	N. L. Bumgardenner....	650	200	850	600	200	800	50	88	88	13	13	901	31	6	37	65	30
Morgantown.....	Albert Cameron.....	1200	400	1600	1200	400	1600	...	108	108	15	15	1723	41	..	41	210	190
Morgantown Circuit....	S. E. Jones.....	600	..	600	568	..	568	32	80	80	6	3	651	15	6	21	75	60
Palatine.....	G. C. Shaw.....	500	100	600	500	100	600	...	60	60	7	5	665	13	5	18	100	75
Palatine Circuit.....	A. A. Kelly.....	525	..	525	515	..	515	10	60	63	7	5	583	12	5	17	35	43
Tunnelton.....	W. C. Rodgers.....	410	75	485	311	75	386	99	64	64	5	5	455	1	..	1	35	25
Wadestown.....	G. W. Bent.....	590	100	690	500	100	600	...	65	65	11	11	676	20	5	25	141	78
Total.....		9393	1875	11268	9019	1875	10894	374	1200	1203	139	113	12210	254	60	314	1458	997

Statistics No. 4.

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Ex- tension	Sunday School Union.	Tract Society	Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society	EDUCATION.		American Bible Socie- ty.....	Woman's Foreign Mis- sionary Society.....	Woman's Home Mis- sionary Society.....	Total Other Benevo- lent Collections.....	General Conference Ex- penses.....
	a. Church	b. Sunday school.	Total.....					a. Public Educa- tional Collection.	b. Children's Fund..					
Arnettville.....	30	...	30	2	..	..	..	5	1	...	...	...	25	...
Blackville.....	35	45	80	2	2	2	3	4	7	...	...	...	...	...
Grafton.....	193	57	250	20	1	1	15	50	12	5	21	...	...	...
Halleck.....	15	5	20	1	1	1	1	..	1	...	...	...	...	...
Jollytown.....	60	4	64	1	1	1	1	8	1	...	...	...	...	...
Kingwood.....	48	19	67	9	1	1	2	19	3	4	65	...	...	...
Knottsville	60	5	65	3	1	1	1	5	8	1	...	...	...	...
Littleton.....	20	..	20	2	1	1	1	..	..	..	...	...	...	...
Masontown.....	10	2	12	2	1	1	1	4	..	..	...	...	...	...
Monongalia.....	97	9	106	13	2	2	2	23	..	1	...	...	...	...
Morgantown.....	171	39	210	21	3	3	15	30	9	6	6	...	...	...
Morgantown Circuit.....	30	10	40	7	1	1	1	5	6	1	...	...	...	...
Palatine.....	52	18	70	2	1	1	1	3	..	..	16	...	...	...
Palatine Circuit.....	15	35	50	2	1	1	1	2	..	..	...	...	...	...
Tunnelton.....	6	..	6	1	1	1	1	1	..	..	17	...	...	...
Wadestown.....	50	100	150	10	2	2	6	28	17	1	...	...	...	...
Total.....	892	348	1240	102	22	22	72	189	64	21	125	...	25	...

Statistics No. 1.

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'P.				BAPT'M'S.		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers....	No. of full members....	No. of local preachers.	No. of deaths.....	No. of children Baptized.....	No. of adults baptized.	No. of schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on church property.	Present indebtedness on church property.
Birch River.....	113	108	1	2	...	...	3	16	70	4	\$1600	...	...	800	...	...
Boone.....	35	78	3	1	...	5	1	8	74	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Brooklyn.....	6	174	1	2	...	22	3	12	120	3	1400	...	...	100	...	...
Claremount.....	14	46	...	1	...	8	3	22	120	2	3500	1	800	...	250	80
Clay C. H.....	34	140	3	...	...	6	6	30	142	1	2000	...	...	1200	...	...
Concord.....	69	266	1	2	...	20	4	25	115	1	350	...	...	...	164	...
Elk River.....	54	198	3	4	2	6	4	25	225	2 1/2	1800	1	300	...	...	...
Fayette.....	35	304	5	7	6	11	4	26	175	3 1/2	2100	1	3.0	500	...	300
Flat Top.....	4	123	...	...	...	1	1	6	30	2	1000	...	...	75	...	...
Hewitt.....	47	229	1	2	...	3	2	10	75	1	100	1	200	...	...	...
Hinton.....	31	145	2	4	...	1	5	36	150	2	1100	...	...	15	...	...
Kanawha Circuit.....	3	66	2	...	...	3	2	7	70	1	700	...	...	...	...	...
Logan.....	35	135	2	2	...	1	4	24	110	2	700	1	300	1	...	...
Mattville.....	169	297	2	3	8	53	8	40	240	6	12 0	...	...	...	...	...
Mountain Cove.....	4	270	...	2	2	4	4	27	159	4	3450	1	300	935	...	400
Nicholas.....	18	198	...	3	...	11	5	30	210	2	1200	...	...	30	...	...
Norwood.....	11	15	3	...	...	1	1	2	40	1	1500	1	200	...	...	...
Ophelia.....	39	353	1	...	...	...	6	44	233	6	4200	1	300	800	...	...
Oceana.....	40	197	3	8	3	27	6	30	240	2	700	...	...	50	50	...
Pleasant Retreat.....	23	352	5	1	...	7	6	45	140	2	1500	1	500	12	19	11
Raleigh.....	17	88	2	2	...	...	2	14	130	1	1000	1	400	...	20	...
Summerville.....	44	239	1	3	28	28	6	61	299	4 3/4	3000	1	1100	500	42	130
Tate Creek.....	42	201	2	2	1	23	3	18	123	1	400	...	...	...	...	...
Gilbert.....	3	665	2	1	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total.....	890	4287	45	52	58	234	89	558	3290	53 3/4	\$34500	11	\$4700	\$5018	\$545	\$921

Statistics No. 3.

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.							SUP'T OF SUP. OF P. ELDERS, BISH'PS				Total support pastors, presiding elders and bishops.....	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		CURRENT EXP'NS'S.		
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.....	Am't apportioned...	Amount paid.....	Am't apportioned...	Amount paid.....		REC'D FROM		Total.....	Church: Section, light, fuel, etc.....	Sunday school: Lesson leaves, books, etc.....
		Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....	Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....							Collections.....	Other sources...			
Birch River	Daniel Wilson.....	145	....	145	70	....	70	75	24	24	2	94	....	....	....	5	4	
Boone.....	E. S. Dickens, Sup.....	50	....	50	20	....	20	30	24	22	....	42	....	....	....	....	....	
Brooklyn	Thos. H. Shannon.....	145	....	145	93	....	93	52	20	20	....	113	1	1	2	10	10	
Claremont.....	Wm. L. Barze.....	400	100	500	400	100	500	....	60	60	3	563	1	4	5	30	50	
Clay C. H.	Wm. F. Jenkins.....	250	....	250	259	....	259	....	40	40	1	300	....	....	....	25	20	
Concord.....	M. C. Reed.....	425	....	425	275	....	275	150	32	35	1	311	1	....	....	15	5	
Elk River.....	E. C. Conaway.....	230	....	230	195	5	200	30	44	41	1	243	2	2	4	25	12	
Fayette.....	R. G. Backus.....	390	25	415	310	25	335	80	60	60	1	395	1	3	4	15	10	
Flat Top.....	W. M. Pearce.....	175	....	175	103	....	103	72	30	22	....	125	....	....	....	5	....	
Hewitt.....	P. P. Kinder.....	100	25	125	100	25	125	....	50	18	....	143	....	....	....	....	....	
Hinton.....	J. S. Pullin.....	224	....	224	176	....	176	48	36	36	2	213	....	....	....	20	....	
Kanawha.....	Jos. Fisher.....	350	....	350	158	....	158	192	36	32	....	190	....	....	....	40	25	
Logan.....	Joseph Perry.....	211	25	236	135	25	160	76	50	50	1	210	1	....	1	1	1	
Mattville.....	Lafayette Kidd.....	280	....	280	190	....	190	90	50	50	....	240	....	....	....	....	....	
Mountain Cove.....	L. D. Bryan.....	485	30	515	324	30	354	161	60	57	4	414	7	3	10	58	50	
Nickolas.....	L. S. Grose.....	300	....	300	200	....	200	100	36	36	3	236	2	2	4	29	....	
Norwood.....	A. H. Matheny.....	400	60	460	138	....	138	322	40	....	....	138	....	....	....	10	9	
Ophelia.....	W. W. Workman.....	320	25	345	260	25	285	60	60	52	....	337	....	....	....	7	....	
Oceana.....	C. W. Steplan.....	450	....	450	252	....	252	198	50	50	2	303	1	....	1	15	25	
Pleasant Retreat.....	J. S. Kinney.....	255	25	280	160	25	185	95	48	43	2	229	4	....	4	10	10	
Raleigh.....	J. W. Claypool.....	230	....	230	205	....	205	25	44	44	....	274	....	....	....	20	38	
Summersville.....	Jno. W. Carroll.....	380	50	430	380	50	430	....	56	56	4	488	4	6	10	35	50	
Tate Creek.....	Elliott Shaffer.....	187	....	187	69	....	69	118	36	27	1	96	....	....	....	9	....	
Gilbert.....	E. S. Harless.....	....	....	....	10	....	10	....	....	....	....	10	....	....	....	....	....	
Total.....	.....	6382	390	6772	4482	335	4817	1974	986	876	26	5707	25	21	46	314	389	

Statistics No. 4.

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension	Sunday School Union.	Tract Society	Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Total Other Benevolent Collections.	General Conference Expenses.
	a. Church	b. Sunday school.	Total					a. Public Educational Collection.	b. Children's Fund.					
Birch River	\$ 3	\$ 1	\$ 3	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 2	\$ 1	\$ 1	.....	.....	
Boone	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Brooklyn	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	.....	.....	
Claremount	10	5	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Clay C. H.	5	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Concord	6	6	6	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	.....	.....	
Elk River	40	40	40	2	2	2	2	2	4	4	4	.....	.....	
Fayette	10	10	10	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Flat Top	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Hewitt	10	10	10	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Hinton	3	2	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Kanawha	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Logan	5	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Mattville	28	8	31	2	2	2	2	2	5	5	5	.....	.....	
Mountain Cove	12	12	12	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	.....	.....	
Nicholas	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Norwood	14	14	14	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Ophelia	5	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Oceana	9	9	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Pleasant Retreat	10	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Raleigh	25	5	30	6	1	1	2	4	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Summersville	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Tate Creek	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Gilbert	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Total	\$194	\$ 15	\$209	\$ 24	\$ 4	\$ 3	\$ 11	\$ 17	\$ 6	\$ 1	\$ 1	.....	.....	

Statistics No. 1.

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'P.				BAPT'M'S		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers...	No. of full members...	No. of local preachers.	No. of deaths.....	No. of adults baptized.	No. of children baptized.....	No. of Schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.....	Paid on old indebtedness on church property.....	Present indebtedness on church property...
Albrightsville.....	...	297	...	3	1	...	6	58	295	5	\$ 5800	1	\$ 950	\$ 800	\$	\$ 350
Aurora.....	17	350	2	3	15	20	5	42	325	4	6500	1	1200	800	...	...
Bayard.....	2	118	...	1	...	...	4	45	200	2	2200	1	800	250	...	200
Brandonville.....	28	228	...	2	...	...	4	32	200	4	2400	1	600	200	...	...
Bruceton.....	10	390	...	2	22	...	5	24	200	4	4000	...	...	50	...	...
Blaine.....	6	300	1	2	20	5	5	20	275	5	4100	...	...	300	...	...
Cranesville.....	23	198	...	4	3	...	8	72	310	4	2500	1	500	589	...	360
Davis.....	4	155	...	...	15	...	1	19	299	1	2500	1	2500	115	30	...
Deer Park.....	17	310	3	6	20	6	7	49	255	2	1800	...	...	...	...	225
Etam.....	15	193	...	2	6	7	6	23	120	4	2000	1	500	50	...	...
Evansville.....	43	402	1	3	...	19	5	47	260	6	5000	1	700	50	...	...
Friendsville.....	9	347	2	3	9	6	8	87	470	6	6600	1	1300	1550	20	...
Grantsville.....	8	212	...	...	16	7	4	34	180	4	5600	1	990	...	75	100
Horton.....	6	84	...	1	...	...	2	14	110	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Newberg.....	9	217	1	2	2	...	3	30	152	2	3700	1	800	40	80	...
Oakland.....	5	354	1	4	10	1	2	34	330	1	8000	1	2000	...	50	200
Parsons.....	20	160	2	...	10	6	4	44	270	3	2750	1	800	45	...	...
Rowlesburg.....	...	200	1	2	2	1	3	30	200	2	3900	1	700	...	...	...
Sinclair.....	41	301	1	1	...	19	7	49	300	7	2800	1	300	200	...	...
Terra Alta.....	...	203	...	...	9	...	1	15	105	1	1800	1	1200	...	...	...
Total.....	263	5119	15	43	158	122	92	768	4864	67	\$73950	16	\$15750	\$5039	\$ 255	\$1435

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MINUTES OF WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

Statistics No. 3.

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTORS' SUPPORT.						SUP'RT OF P. ELDERS.	SUP. OF BISH'PS.	Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders and Bishops.....	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.			CUR'ENT EXP'NS'S.				
		CLAIMS.		RECEIPTS.							Deficiencies	Am't apportioned..	Amount paid.....	Am't apportioned ..	Amount paid.....	REC'D FROM		Total .....	Church : Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc.,	Sunday School: Les- son Leaves, Books, etc. ....
		Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....	Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....	Collections.....	Other Sources..									
Albrightsville.....	Henry E. Friend.....	375	50	425	375	50	425	52	52	6	5	482	8	4	12	65	40	
Aurora.....	J. L. B. Jones.....	520	60	580	525	60	585	52	52	5	5	642	12	5	12	25	40	
Bayard.....	J. H. Enlow.....	550	125	675	550	125	675	51	51	6	5	731	12	5	17	75	75	
Brandonville.....	Daniel Westfall.....	500	60	560	500	60	560	50	50	5	5	643	10	5	15	30	30	
Bruceton.....	Chas. E. Feather.....	400	50	450	400	50	450	50	50	5	5	503	6	5	6	60	40	
Blaine.....	J. H. Koch.....	450	.....	450	450	.....	450	44	44	5	5	499	12	.....	12	20	50	
Cranesville.....	E. C. Bedford.....	425	36	461	300	36	346	42	29	4	4	379	9	2	11	11	4	
Davis.....	A. S. Arnett.....	650	150	800	650	150	800	55	55	9	9	864	20	.....	20	140	104	
Deer Park.....	J. H. Funk.....	400	60	460	377	10	387	48	44	5	5	436	10	5	15	45	47	
Etam.....	Albert Engle.....	195	35	231	170	36	206	25	30	4	2	238	2	.....	2	.....	15	
Evansville.....	J. N. Sharp.....	400	50	450	380	50	430	20	70	59	9	491	6	.....	6	25	37	
Friendsville.....	E. R. Skidmore.....	500	75	575	480	75	555	2	68	68	9	632	13	5	18	82	69	
Grantsville.....	E. P. Idleman.....	380	50	430	340	50	430	.....	55	55	6	491	8	.....	8	30	28	
Horton.....	E. W. Weaver.....	350	.....	350	85	.....	85	26	35	12	.....	97	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Nswburg.....	C. E. Leatherby.....	500	60	560	500	60	560	64	64	9	8	632	15	5	20	90	75	
Oakland.....	R. B. Ward.....	850	200	1050	850	205	1050	77	77	14	10	1137	26	8	34	164	82	
Parsons.....	C. W. Cox.....	450	60	510	413	60	473	37	45	45	5	523	8	.....	8	51	66	
Rowlesburg.....	A. B. Perry.....	500	75	575	500	75	575	.....	45	45	5	623	5	5	10	65	50	
Sinclair.....	Benj. F. Hill.....	400	30	430	304	30	335	96	45	45	4	381	6	.....	6	5	55	
Terra Alta.....	J. M. Warden.....	500	100	600	500	100	600	.....	54	54	5	659	15	.....	15	30	55	
Total.....		9295	1327	10622	8699	1277	9976	651	1032	981	110	86	11083	203	44	247	1013	932

Statistics No. 4.

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.....	Sunday School Union..	Tract Society.....	Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society.....	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society.....	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.....	Woman's Home Missionary Society.....	Total Other Benevolent Collections.....	General Conference Expenses.....
	a. Church.....	b. Sunday School..	Total.....					a. Public Educational Collection	b. Children's Fund.....					
Albrightsville.....	\$ 27	\$ 8	\$ 35	\$ 5	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 2	\$ 4	\$ 4	\$ 13	.....	\$ 9	\$ 5	
Aurora.....	38	.....	38	5	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Bayard.....	20	10	30	5	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Brandonville.....	32	.....	32	5	1	1	2	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Brinceton.....	35	.....	35	5	1	.....	1	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Blaine.....	30	.....	30	5	1	.....	1	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Cranesville.....	15	1	16	5	1	.....	4	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Davis.....	44	36	80	10	2	3	3	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Deer Park.....	15	21	36	5	2	1	1	20	3	1	.....	.....	.....	
Etam.....	.....	9	9	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Evansville.....	28	2	30	5	1	.....	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Folendsville.....	40	20	60	7	1	1	1	10	5	1	.....	.....	.....	
Grantsville.....	23	2	25	4	1	1	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Horton.....	.....	10	10	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Newburg.....	42	8	50	9	.....	.....	4	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Oakland.....	108	17	125	12	4	3	10	3	.....	80	.....	25	5	
Parsons.....	18	12	30	5	1	1	4	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Rowlesburg.....	25	.....	30	1	1	1	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Sinclair.....	.....	25	25	2	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Terra Alta.....	35	10	45	4	1	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Total.....	\$575	\$196	\$771	\$ 96	\$ 22	\$ 18	\$ 70	\$157	\$ 24	\$ 3	\$102		\$ 41	\$ 5

Statistics No. 1.

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'P.				BAPT'MS.		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers....	No. of full members...	No. of local preachers.	No. of deaths.....	No. of children baptized.....	No. of adults baptized.	No. of schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages....	Paid on old indebtedness on church property..	Present indebtedness on church property..
Belleville.....	10	450	1	1	....	12	9	63	430	6	\$ 7000	1	\$ 1000	\$....	\$....	\$....
Big Bend.....	65	59	....	4	4	24	2	7	85	1	400	....	....	....	....	....
Cairo.....	5	125	....	2	1	8	2	23	150	2	2000	....	....	....	....	....
Centerville.....	10	325	3	2	8	12	4	35	225	5	2000	1	1000	600	....	....
Elizabeth.....	20	254	1	2	....	....	4	41	274	4	4000	1	800	10	....	15
Ellenboro.....	5	400	3	5	4	2	5	40	255	7	6000	1	1200	6	55	....
Harrisville.....	....	260	....	2	....	2	....	30	280	3	7000	1	500	70	20	....
Hebron.....	20	156	....	2	....	....	2	20	140	2	2500	1	600	20	....	....
Middlebourne.....	20	166	....	2	....	....	2	20	140	2	2500	1	600	20	....	....
Newark.....	30	216	....	1	3	4	....	52	304	7	3800	1	200	5	200	25
North Parkersburg.....	6	125	....	2	....	20	5	15	100	5	2000	....	....	....	....	....
Parkersburg 1st Church.....	45	481	1	6	6	6	....	35	365	1	42500	1	7500	....	1100	....
Parkersburg 2d Church.....	....	149	....	3	....	1	2	30	200	2	6000	....	....	40	700	12
Parkersburg Circuit.....	25	600	2	4	1	26	6	54	225	6	6000	1	1000	50	....	....
Pennsboro.....	12	104	....	1	....	2	3	31	196	3	2500	1	600	502	....	98
Pleasants.....	14	168	....	2	2	12	5	21	204	3	800	....	....	60	....	....
Pullman.....	4	290	2	5	....	8	4	20	300	4	5000	1	1000	300	60	....
Pursley.....	27	193	2	3	1	7	5	45	185	5	3200	....	....	40	....	....
St. Marys.....	50	177	1	3	1	8	4	40	200	4	5000	1	1700	200	150	700
Shiloh.....	8	200	1	1	....	2	5	35	150	5	3000	1	500	50	....	....
Sistersville.....	25	213	....	....	23	15	1	22	190	1	2050	1	800	665	....	262
Smithville.....	....	323	1	4	....	5	7	65	340	6	620	1	250	....	....	....
South Parkersburg.....	6	118	....	2	3	4	4	34	205	4	4200	....	....	....	150	200
Volcano.....	22	300	....	5	....	14	4	43	220	4	3200	1	300	....	150	....
West Union.....	4	108	4	2	1	1	2	19	100	2	3000	1	1000	25	....	....
Williamstown.....	....	132	....	1	1	....	2	25	160	2	4000	....	....	351	....	167
Total.....	433	6122	22	67	58	196	101	865	5623	98	\$128650	18	\$20450	\$3014	\$2585	\$1479

Statistics No. 3.

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR	PASTORS' SUPPORT.							SUP'T OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISH' PS		Total support: pastors, presiding elders and bish-ops.....	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.			CUR' ENT EXP'NS'S.	
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.				Deficiencies.....	Am't apportioned...	Amount paid.....	Am't apportioned...		Amount paid.....	REC'D FROM	Total.....	Church: sexton, light, fuel, etc....	Sunday school: les- sno leaves, books, etc.....
		Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....	Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....											
Belleville.....	A. D. Adams.....	525	75	600	505	75	580	20	70	70	2	2	652	3	4	7	60	32
Big Bend.....	Oliver Given, Sup.	250	...	250	170	...	170	80	30	30	2	2	202	...	...	2	...	...
Cairo.....	A. B. Rohrbaugh.....	350	25	375	350	25	375	...	50	50	3	3	428	...	...	2	...	...
Centerville.....	P. Z. Musgravn.....	500	100	600	450	100	550	50	70	70	...	...	623	10	...	6	25	65
Elizabeth.....	G. E. Fuller.....	360	50	410	260	50	310	100	60	40	6	6	351	...	...	10	25	50
Ellenboro.....	Wm. Hunter.....	500	50	550	475	50	525	25	70	70	6	6	601	...	...	2	30	35
Harrisville.....	C. Warman.....	500	50	550	500	50	550	...	60	60	6	6	601	16	...	21	...	65
Hebron.....	Jas. B. Woodward.....	550	75	625	550	75	625	...	68	68	25	25	626	25	...	25	90	80
Middlebourne.....	W. E. Lovett.....	425	50	475	400	50	450	25	60	60	8	8	693	20	...	25	80	43
Newark.....	L. D. Ashby.....	300	25	325	250	25	275	50	36	27	7	7	576	...	...	8	73	35
North Parkersburg.....	D. W. Smith.....	300	25	325	250	25	275	50	36	27	4	4	304	1	...	3	50	30
Parkersburg 1st Church.	F. S. Townsend.....	1500	500	2000	1500	500	2000	...	180	180	25	25	2205	85	15	100	500	80
Parkersburg 2d Church.	G. Bleakley.....	600	...	600	600	...	600	...	50	50	4	2	652	12	6	18	20	100
Parkersburg Circuit.....	T. H. Bunting.....	600	100	700	500	100	600	100	93	93	16	8	701	...	...	5	50	35
Pennsboro.....	T. W. Wilson.....	300	18	318	205	18	223	77	40	40	5	3	266	4	3	7	39	67
Pleasants.....	A. L. Simmons.....	230	...	230	205	...	205	25	40	40	3	3	248	4	...	4	...	22
Pullman.....	O. D. King.....	325	100	425	325	100	425	...	50	50	3	4	479	4	...	4	12	45
Pursley.....	M. Taylor.....	350	...	350	350	...	350	...	50	50	5	5	405	10	4	14	16	...
St. Marys.....	A. W. Ownby.....	615	150	765	615	150	765	...	70	70	8	4	839	20	5	25	110	90
Shiloh.....	F. P. Dunbar.....	360	50	410	375	50	425	...	65	62	4	4	491	...	...	5	...	...
Sistersville.....	H. B. Bowden.....	800	200	1000	800	200	1000	...	66	66	8	8	1074	25	8	33	305	100
Smithville.....	H. C. Sanford.....	500	84	584	300	26	326	258	65	65	8	3	394	...	...	5	21	27
South Parkersburg.....	M. F. Malcolm.....	525	...	525	492	...	492	33	40	40	3	1	533	...	...	5	25	23
Volcano.....	E. D. W. King.....	575	24	600	583	24	607	...	65	65	7	7	679	10	...	10	80	73
West Union.....	C. W. Upton.....	600	100	700	500	100	600	100	55	55	6	6	661	10	...	10	60	48
Williamstown.....	G. W. Kepler.....	600	120	720	563	120	683	37	60	60	7	7	750	20	...	20	80	64
Total.....	.....	13041	1971	15012	12061	1971	13986	\$980	\$1599	\$1558	176	133	15677	315	62	377	1611	1259

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	General conference ex- penses.....	Total other benevo- lent collections.....	Women's Home Mis- sionary Society.....	Women's Foreign Mis- sionary Society.....	American Bible Soci- ety.....	EDUCATION.		Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society.....	Tract Society.....	Sunday school union..	Board of Church Ex- tension.....	MISSIONS.		
						b. Children's fund..	a. Public educa- tional collection..					Total.....	b. Sunday school..	a. Church.....
Belleville.....	\$		\$		\$	4	\$		\$	1	\$	20	\$	20
Big Bend.....												3		3
Cairo.....		10						2		2		22		42
Centerville.....						15		2				50		50
Elizabeth.....						1		4				10		20
Ellenboro.....						10		2		1		34		36
Harrisville.....						25		6		5		100		120
Hebron.....					2							4		4
Middlebourne.....											7	40		60
Newark.....						8		3		2	5	30		37
North Parkersburg.....						2					2	5		7
Parkersburg 1st Church.....						25		6		5	37	530	265	795
Parkersburg 2d Church.....						15		1		1	3	10	30	40
Parkersburg Circuit.....						1		3			2	70		70
Pennsboro.....						9		1		1	1	13	6	19
Pleasant.....						1		1		1		14	11	25
Pullman.....						7		1		1	2	15		15
Pursley.....					1	10		1		1	5	39	1	40
St. Marys.....						15		1		1	2	47	6	53
Shiloh.....						4		8		2	2	40		40
Sistersville.....						30		2		3	2	25	60	85
Smithville.....						1		1		1	2	15	5	20
South Parkersburg.....						1		1		1	1	8		10
Volcano.....						5		6		2	7	72	2	80
West Union.....					1	5		1		1	3	22		22
Williamstown.....					1	3		7		2	8	62	18	80
Total.....					\$	214		\$	59		\$	1294	\$	499
												\$	1793	
												\$	115	
												\$	30	
												\$	28	
												\$	93	
												\$	216	
												\$	1	
												\$	23	
												\$	1	

Statistics No. 1.

WHEELING DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'P.				BAPT'MS.		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers....	No. of full members..	No. of local preachers.	No. of deaths.....	No. of children bap- tized.....	No. of adults baptized.	No. of schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.....	Paid on old indebted- ness on church prop- erty.....	Present indebtedness on church property..
Benwood.....	10	295	3	4	8	11	1	22	275	1	13000	1	3000	100	1000	5800
Cameron.....	57	360	...	5	...	55	2	29	295	2	16000	1	2000	350	550	...
Dallas.....	45	326	1	3	17	74	2	20	155	2	3500	1	1000	115	14	...
Fulton.....	12	120	...	...	17	1	3	21	205	2	3500	...	...	40	55	33
Marshall.....	20	341	...	3	10	17	6	78	410	4	5000	1	1500	70	...	...
McMechen.....	14	100	...	4	15	4	1	18	94	1	1500	...	...	...	...	...
Moundsville.....	2	556	2	4	3	28	1	49	400	1	9000	2	4000	193	39	351
Moundsv Ile Circuit.....	15	450	1	15	6	67	6	60	432	6	8700	...	...	175	...	...
N w Martinsville.....	27	184	1	...	...	17	1	16	135	1	2000	1	2500	142	39	1000
N w Martinsville Circuit.....	55	194	2	5	...	53	8	60	319	4	1400	...	...	287	50	172
Pleasant Valley.....	11	349	1	3	...	1	5	44	275	5	4700	...	...	...	34	...
Procter.....	...	297	1	1	1	5	4	21	135	3	4200	...	...	...	194	555
Silver Hill.....	23	385	1	3	...	12	9	108	367	8	6500	1	1000	...	200	80
Short Creek and Liberty.....	2	185	...	3	...	2	2	18	226	2	8000	1	700	220	...	...
Wheeling—Chapline Street.....	12	386	...	4	26	0	1	32	275	1	8000	1	3000	134	130	...
“ Fourth Street.....	27	628	2	13	21	10	1	37	332	1	60000	1	12000	...	...	...
“ North Street.....	40	352	...	3	26	4	1	33	300	1	10 00	1	4000	50	270	130
“ Thomson.....	5	325	1	1	5	7	1	36	350	1	20000	1	5000	115	1200	2500
“ Wesley.....	17	387	2	2	25	8	1	33	340	1	10000	...	...	...	390	70
“ Zane Street.....	5	315	1	4	36	16	1	25	250	1	14000	1	4000	330	140	480
Triadelphia.....	...	210	1	1	1	1	1	21	145	1	3000	1	1300	...	...	...
Total.....	399	6645	20	82	217	402	58	682	5715	49	\$214000	15	\$45000	\$2316	\$4325	\$11201

Statistics No. 3.

WHEELING DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUP'RT OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISH'PS		Total support pastors' presiding elders and bishops.....	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		CUR'ENT EXP'NS'S.		
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Am't apportioned...	Amount paid.....	Am't apportioned...	Amount paid.....		REC'D FROM		Total.....	Church: Sex to n, light, fuel, etc.....	
		Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....	Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....						Deficiencies.....	Collections.....			Other sources..
Benwood.....	J. S. Robinson.....	700	150	850	700	150	850	45	45	4	2	947	17	7	24	185	30
Cameron.....	John Beddow.....	750	150	900	750	150	900	66	66	10	10	976	28	7	35	225	200
Dallas.....	V. A. Nanna.....	550	75	625	550	75	625	76	76	9	2	703	3	.....	3	95	65
Fulton.....	J. S. Harvey.....	500	.....	500	500	.....	500	21	21	2	2	523	5	4	9	99	56
Marshall.....	C. H. Lakin.....	500	100	600	506	100	606	75	75	12	12	693	30	5	35	190	95
McMechen.....	Spencer King.....	404	96	500	404	96	500	24	24	3	3	527	6	.....	6	95	75
Moundsville.....	D. L. Ash.....	1200	200	1400	1200	200	1400	115	115	17	17	1532	60	12	72	300	200
Moundsville Circuit.....	D. W. Rubie.....	800	.....	800	800	.....	800	82	82	15	15	897	25	.....	25	150	70
New Martinsville.....	E. D. Hanna.....	600	200	800	600	200	800	44	44	4	4	848	13	.....	13	5	60
New Martinsville Circuit.....	W. N. Kinsley.....	300	.....	300	235	.....	235	30	30	3	3	267	5	2	7	10	30
Pleasant Valley.....	E. E. King.....	535	.....	535	500	.....	500	55	55	5	2	557	15	5	20	123	34
Proctor.....	J. R. Bryson.....	475	.....	475	295	.....	295	30	30	.....	.....	325	.....	.....	.....	50	35
Silver Hill.....	D. F. Carder.....	531	75	606	533	75	608	57	57	4	4	669	20	.....	20	110	26
Short Creek and Liberty.....	G. U. Balslep.....	600	100	700	600	100	700	78	78	12	12	790	35	.....	35	56	40
Chapline Street.....	Wm. Anderson.....	900	250	1150	900	250	1150	80	80	16	16	1246	60	.....	60	233	54
Fourth Street.....	J. L. Sooy.....	2500	700	3200	2500	700	3200	280	280	40	40	3520	175	25	200	2800	105
North Street.....	C. B. Graham.....	1000	250	1250	1000	250	1250	65	65	14	10	1325	20	10	30	300	100
Thomson Church.....	C. E. Clark.....	1200	400	1600	1200	400	1600	106	106	20	12	1718	71	15	86	400	150
Wesley Church.....	S. P. Crummett.....	1000	.....	1000	1000	.....	1000	48	48	5	5	1053	32	8	40	325	95
Zane Street.....	B. B. Evans.....	1000	360	1360	1000	360	1360	50	50	10	5	1415	15	10	25	300	70
Triadelphia.....	O. C. Phillips.....	500	100	600	500	100	600	52	52	4	3	655	20	.....	20	90	26
Total.....		16545	3206	19751	16273	3206	19479	1479	1479	209	178	21186	655	110	765	6141	1619

Statistics No. 4.

WHEELING DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.	Sunday School Union.	Tract Society.	Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society.	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society.	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Woman's Home Missionary Society.	Total Other Benevolent Collections.	General Conference Expenses.
	a. Church	b. Sunday school.	Total.					a. Public Educational Collection.	b. Children's Fund.					
Benwood.....	10	20	30	11	1	2	5	37	5	11	2	2	...	...
Cameron.....	40	60	100	2	2	2	12	2	5	...	...	...	...	...
Dallas.....	25	25	50	1	1	1	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fulton.....	20	25	45	1	1	1	2	5	...	...	...	...	...	...
Marshall.....	85	27	112	15	2	2	16	10	15	1	...	...	36	...
McMechen.....	11	9	20	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...
Moundsville.....	85	215	300	21	4	4	21	19	24	78	...	...	...	...
Moundsville Circuit.....	126	16	142	10	2	2	10	10	21	1	...	...	...	...
New Martinsville.....	42	...	42	5	1	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
New Martinsville Circuit.....	20	20	40	1	1	1	...	2	3	...	...	...	...	...
Pleasant Valley.....	42	8	50	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Procter.....	10	...	10	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Silver Hill.....	50	3	53	6	1	1	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Short Creek and Liberty.....	79	12	91	4	3	3	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chapline Street.....	46	79	125	22	3	3	22	45	5	...	...	...	24	...
Fourth Street.....	382	388	770	45	10	10	57	125	28	30	378	342	...	...
North Street.....	40	35	75	5	2	3	5	6	5	5	...	...	...	...
Thomson Church.....	87	73	160	12	4	4	12	12	...	45	...	...	...	...
Wesley Church.....	40	60	100	10	1	1	10	30	6	7	30	...	10	...
Zane Street.....	40	30	70	5	2	2	3	10	3	...	42	...	...	...
Triadelphia.....	46	14	60	5	1	1	5	...	2	10	...	...	...	...
Total.....	1317	1054	2371	186	32	32	198	323	117	65	584	344	72	...

Statistics No. 1.

RECAPITULATION.

DISTRICTS.	CHURCH MEMB'P.				BAPT'M'S		S. SCHOOLS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of probationers...	No. of full members...	No. of local preachers.	No. of deaths.....	No. of children baptized.....	No. of adults baptized.	No. of Schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.....	Paid on old indebtedness on church property.....	Present indebtedness on church property..
Buckhannon.....	387	7877	29	75	40	300	137	1120	7040	121	\$117200	20	\$ 17750	\$ 5006	\$ 1749	\$ 6286
Charleston.....	461	4837	33	54	50	298	91	756	5677	70	69050	14	13200	2921	2298	1185
Clarksburg.....	295	5163	17	56	29	313	77	620	4682	77	127600	16	18650	19261	1194	10438
Huntington.....	740	4095	44	49	46	432	76	6 2	4042	52	55812	9	7050	6228	299	2950
Morgantown.....	187	5900	21	46	33	342	71	650	4609	65	100600	15	24250	4375	705	2059
New River.....	890	4287	45	52	58	234	89	558	3290	54	34500	11	4700	5018	545	921
Oakland.....	263	5119	15	43	158	122	92	768	4864	67	73950	16	15760	5039	255	1435
Parkersburg.....	433	6122	22	67	58	196	101	865	5623	98	128650	18	20450	3014	2585	1489
Wheeling.....	399	6640	30	82	217	402	58	682	5715	49	214000	15	45000	2318	4325	11201
Total this year.....	4055	50040	246	524	689	2639	792	6731	45542	653	\$921362	134	\$168800	\$53180	\$13957	\$37956
Total last year.....	3715	48522	242	609	735	2442	787	7062	45626	636	901970	129	165195	44788	11882	40277
Increase.....	340	1518	4	.....	.....	197	5	.....	.....	17	\$ 19392	5	\$ 3605	\$ 8392	\$ 2095	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	85	46	.....	.....	331	84	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2321

Statistics No. 3.

RECAPITULATION.

DISTRICTS.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUP'T OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISH'PS		Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders and Bishops.....	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.			CUR'ENT EXP'NS'S.		
	CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies	Am't apportioned..	Amount paid.....	Am't apportioned...		Amount paid.....	REC'D FROM		Total.....	Church: Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc..	
	Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....	Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....							Collections.....	Other Sources..			
Buekhannon.....	12292	1175	13467	10743	1175	11918	1549	1430	1405	134	110	13543	250	65	315	1335	1062
Charleston.....	11137	1290	12421	9643	1290	10943	1534	1274	1189	102	85	12217	117	25	142	1239	1240
Clarksburg.....	9355	1616	10971	8488	1605	10093	885	1213	1122	138	102	11317	233	37	270	1278	968
Huntington.....	12205	1061	13266	7294	1033	8317	4949	1020	846	54	41	9204	61	41	102	830	636
Morgantown.....	9393	1875	11268	9019	1875	10894	374	1200	1203	139	113	12210	254	60	314	1485	997
New River.....	6382	390	6772	4482	335	4817	1974	986	876	26	14	5707	25	21	46	314	389
Oakland.....	9295	1327	10622	8699	1277	9976	651	1032	981	110	86	11083	203	44	247	1013	932
Parkersburg.....	13041	1971	15012	2061	1971	14032	980	1599	1558	176	133	15677	315	62	377	1611	1507
Wheeling.....	16541	3206	19751	16273	3206	19479	280	1479	1479	209	178	21186	655	110	765	6141	1616
Total this year.....	99641	13911	113552	86702	13767	100472	13176	11233	10659	1088	862	112144	2113	465	2578	15246	9347
Total last year.....	93234	23302	106536	80727	13125	93852	12573	10752	10264	1058	794	104913	2077	595	2612	12673	8647
Increase.....	6407	609	7016	5975	642	6620	603	481	395	30	68	7231	36			2573	700
Decrease.....													130	94			

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Statistics No. 4.

RECAPITULATION.

BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.														
DISTRICTS.	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.....	Sunday School Union..	Tract Society.....	Freemen's Aid and Southern Education Society.....	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society.....	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.....	Woman's Home Missionary Society.....	Total Other Benevolent Collections.....	General Conference Expenses.....
	a. Church.....	b. Sunday School..	Total.....					a. Public Educational Collection	b. Children's Fund.....					
Buckhannon.....	\$786	\$186	\$972	\$125	\$29	\$27	\$85	\$187	\$53	\$6	\$11	...	\$20	\$1
Charleston.....	367	294	661	43	16	15	37	62	44	4	19	1	25	1
Clarksburg.....	420	359	779	75	21	16	61	131	58	5	2	2	64	...
Huntington.....	485	158	643	55	11	8	27	31	32	1	90	...	2	...
Morgantown.....	892	348	1240	102	22	22	72	189	64	21	125	...	25	...
New River.....	194	15	209	24	4	3	11	17	6	1	5	1	...	...
Oakland.....	575	196	771	96	22	18	70	157	24	3	102	...	41	5
Parkersburg.....	1294	499	1793	115	30	28	93	214	59	29	216	1	28	1
Wheeling.....	1317	1054	2371	186	32	32	198	323	117	65	584	344	72	...
Total this year.....	\$6330	\$3109	\$9439	\$821	\$187	\$169	\$654	\$1311	\$457	\$135	\$1154	\$349	\$278	\$8
Total last year.....	6053	3192	9245	758	203	186	696	1495	616	375	966	165	248	4
Increase.....	\$277	...	\$194	\$63	...	...	...	...	...	\$188	\$184	...	\$30	\$4
Decrease.....	...	83	...	...	16	17	42	184	159	240	...	...	...	...

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J. A. Fullerton..	"	"	"	"
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F. T. D. Bickley..	"	"	"	"
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F. W. Queen.....	"	"	"	"

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224	Balsley, G. U.		Coffield, L. N.
140	Backus, R. G.	149	Conaway, E. C.
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80	Bedford, J. W.	114	Cotton, S. J.
165	Bedford, E. C.	168	Cox, C. W.
211	Bent, G. W.		Cross, Levi.
18	Bent, P. L.	1	Crummett, S. P.
	Bickley, F. T. D.		Cottrill, Fred.
	Birkett, John.	77	Curtis, A. J. L.
231	Bleakley, Gregory.		Day, S. M.
163	Bolton, J. O.	61	Davis, E. A.
39	Brooks, B. B.		Davis, J. T.
	Bryan, L. D.	47	Davis, F. B.
198	Bunting, T. H.	208	Denton, D. A.
201	Bowden, H. B.		Dix, D. H. K.
31	Boyers, S. L.		Dolliver, J. J.
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136	Barze, W. L.	127	Engle, Jeremiah.
151	Claypool, J. W.	71	Engle, J. W.
115	Cain, F. M.	176	Enlow, J. H.
130	Carder, D. F.	96	Evans, B. B.
181	Cameron, Albert.		Fallen, William.
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| 14 Hill, B. F. | 65 Meadows, E. L. |
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69	Riffe, H. K.	4	Westfall, S. T.
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42	Reed, W. D.	161	Workman, J. B.
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112 Rufus F. Farley.
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Wm. A. Hagerty.
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1	1848	July 4.....	Wheeling.....	Hamlin.....	Charles Cooke
2	1849	October 5....	Clarksburg....	Waugh.....	Alexander Martin.
3	1850	June 5.....	Parkersburg....	James.....	" "
4	1851	June 4.....	Charleston.....	Morris.....	" "
5	1852	June 10.....	Morgantown....	Simpson.....	" "
6	1853	June 8.....	Weston.....	Baker.....	" "
7	1854	May 30.....	Fairmont.....	Scott.....	" "
8	1855	May 31.....	Wheeling.....	Morris.....	" "
9	1856	June 12.....	Buckhannon....	Ames.....	S. R. Dawson.
10	1857	April 16.....	Moundsville....	Simpson.....	" "
11	1858	April 15.....	Charleston.....	Ames.....	" "
12	1859	April 20.....	Parkersburg....	Morris.....	" "
13	1860	March 14.....	Morgantown....	Scott.....	" "
14	1861	March 13.....	Wheeling.....	Baker.....	Samuel Steele.
15	1862	March 12.....	Parkersburg....	Scott.....	" "
16	1863	March 18.....	Fairmont.....	Morris.....	Alexander Martin.
17	1864	March 16.....	Parkersburg....	Morris.....	" "
18	1865	March 8.....	Wheeling.....	James.....	" "
19	1866	March 21.....	Morgantown....	Clark.....	" "
20	1867	March 14.....	Catlettsburg, Ky.	Thompson....	" "
21	1868	March 11.....	Moundsville....	Kingsley.....	Samuel Steele.
22	1869	March 11.....	Clarksburg....	Ames.....	Alexander Martin.
23	1870	March 10.....	Charleston.....	Thompson....	J. L. Clark.
24	1871	March 9.....	Parkersburg....	Clark.....	" "
25	1872	March 5.....	Wheeling.....	Simpson.....	" "
26	1873	March 5.....	Guyandotte.....	Andrews.....	" "
27	1874	March 11.....	Fairmont.....	Scott.....	" "
28	1875	March 3.....	Point Pleasant..	Bowman.....	" "
29	1876	March 15.....	Wheeling.....	Harris.....	" "
30	1877	March 11.....	Grafton.....	Ames.....	" "
31	1877	October 4.....	Charleston.....	Scott.....	" "
32	1878	October 10....	Parkersburg....	Harris.....	G. C. Wilding.
33	1879	October 1.....	Morgantown....	Simpson.....	" "
34	1880	October 14....	Huntington.....	Peck.....	" "
35	1881	October 5.....	Moundsville....	Foster.....	" "
36	1882	October 4.....	Clarksburg....	Andrews.....	" "
37	1883	October 10....	Wheeling.....	Harris.....	" "
38	1884	October 1.....	Buckhannon....	Walden.....	" "
39	1885	September 24..	Charleston.....	Merrill.....	W. G. Riheldaffer.
40	1886	September 23..	Morgantown....	Mallalieu.....	" "
41	1887	October 6.....	Parkersburg....	Bowman.....	" "
42	1888	September 26..	Fairmont.....	Foster.....	" "
43	1889	September 18..	Point Pleasant..	Joyce.....	" "
44	1890	October 2.....	Weston.....	Foss.....	" "
45	1891	September 30..	Wheeling.....	Warren.....	" "
46	1892	September 21..	Huntington.....	Bowman.....	" "
47	1893	September 20..	Grafton.....	Fitzgerald....	T. E. Galway.
48	1894	September 12..	Charleston.....	Foster.....	J. Engle,
49	1895	September 18..	Buckhannon....	Merrill.....	" "
50	1896	September 16..	Moundsville....	Hurst.....	" "
51	1897	September 29..	Morgantown....	Mallalieu.....	" "
52	1898	September 29..	Mannington....	Fowler.....	D. L. Ash,
53	1899	September 28..	Parkersburg....	Foss.....	" "

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SPECIAL PROGRAMME.

TUESDAY, September 26, 7:30 p. m.—Lecture by S. V. Leech, D. D.

WEDNESDAY, 7:30 p. m.—Anniversary of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society. Address by W. H. H. Reese, D. D.

THURSDAY, 3:30 p. m.—Missionary sermon by J. B. Workman.

FRIDAY, 7:30 p. m.—Twentieth Century Thank Offering Rally.

SATURDAY, 7:30 p. m.—Church Extension Anniversary. Address, W. A. Spencer, D. D.

SUNDAY, 9:00 a. m.—Conference Lovefeast led by F. N. Lynch. 10:30 a. m.—Sermon, Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, D. D. 2:30 p. m.—Ordination of Elders. 3:30 p. m.—Memorial Service. 7:30 p. m.—Missionary Anniversary. Address, W. T. Smith, D. D.

MONDAY, 7:30 p. m.—Epworth League Anniversary. Address, A. B. Riker and F. N. Lynch.

JOURNAL.

FIRST DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Parkersburg, W. Va., Thursday, Sept. 28, 1899.

The West Virginia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in its fifty-third session in the First M. E. Church, Parkersburg, W. Va., at 9:00 a. m., with Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, D. D., LL. D., presiding.

The Bishop announced, and the congregation sang, "Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise."

D. L. Ash offered prayer.

The Bishop read a scripture lesson from II. Tim. 2d Chapter. The Bishop, assisted by the Presiding Elders, administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The Bishop delivered a splendid address on the demands of and outlook for Methodism.

D. L. Ash, Secretary of the last Conference, called the roll, and 167 answered to their names.

Secretary D. L. Ash and S. K. Arbuthnot were nominated for Secretary. On motion of S. J. Cotton, the Conference voted by ballot. C. B. Graham, F. B. Davis, G. R. Williamson, G. W. Bent, F. N. Lynch and W. J. Harkness were appointed tellers. The conference voted and the tellers retired to count the ballots.

On motion of J. H. Hess the hour for opening Conference was fixed at 8 a. m., the first hour to be devoted to devotional services, and the time of adjournment at 12:00 m.

F. S. Townsend, after making some announcements, presented to the Bishop, for use in the Conference, a gavel made from a walnut tree grown on Blennerhassett Island. The Bishop responded in an appropriate manner.

The Conference Bar, on motion of F. S. Townsend, was fixed at the north side of the fourth window.

The tellers' report on election of Secretary showed 147 votes cast, of which D. L. Ash received 91 and was declared elected.

The Secretary nominated S. J. Miller and C. B. Graham as assistants, and G. W. Bent as Journal Secretary, and they were approved by the Conference.

S. P. Crummett was elected Statistical Secretary, and he nominated and the Conference approved the following as his assistants: J. C. Strader, H. C. Howard, A. W. Ownby, A. A. Kelley, and Wm. Anderson. R. B. Ward was elected Treasurer of the One Per Cent Fund.

On motion of W. E. Lovett a statistical session of the Conference was ordered for 2 p. m.

On motion of L. H. Jordan, A. S. Arnett was elected Conference Treasurer, and he nominated and the Conference elected the following assistants: J. S. Robinson, W. B. King, J. W. Engle, Daniel Westfall, Arthur Merrills and F. B. Davis.

On motion the Presiding Elders nominated one Layman from each of the Districts as a member of the Board of Stewards.

The Bishop read a telegram of greetings from the State W. C. T. U., in session in Buckhannon. The Conference officers were instructed to reply to the message in the behalf of the Conference.

The thirteenth question, "Was the character of each preacher examined?" was taken up, and the names of the Presiding Elders were called, as follows: J. H. Hess, J. Engle, D. S. Hammond, J. W. Bedford, S. J. Cotton, L. H. Jordon, L. W. Roberts, A. Cameron, and A. Moore, and nothing being against them their character passed.

J. H. Hess reported the Buckhannon District.

It was ordered that each pastor should state the amount of his collection for Missions and Conference claimants, and whether or not all the collections were taken.

Buckhannon District was called and the character of the following effective Elders was passed, and those present reported: G. E. Ward, P. C. Mays, A. Mick, F. H. J. King, P. L. Bent, W. T. W. Sleeth, M. Talbott, W. J. Holt, J. M. Grose, J. A. Marteney, L. E. Resseger, D. A. Friend, O. U. Marple, H. M. Strader, J. O. Bolton, J. S. Robinson, G. Rogers, S. L. Boyers, T. N. Chidester and E. R. Skidmore.

Dr. W. H. H. Reese, Assistant Secretary of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society, was introduced and presented the interests of the Society. He reported that the collection taken on Wednesday evening amounted to \$50.00.

Dr. D. H. Moore, editor of the *Western Christian Advocate*, was introduced, and spoke in the interests of that paper.

Dr. Pearson, representing the American Bible Society, was introduced, and made an earnest plea for larger collections to meet their increased demands.

The list of Standing Committees was submitted and approved.

A. B. Rohrbaugh was appointed to conduct the devotional exercises on Friday morning. The Bishop appointed A. B. Riker to preside at the afternoon session.

The Bishop presented a draft to the Conference on the Book Concern for \$1,027.00, and one on the Chartered Fund for \$22.00, and on motion of C. B. Graham they were made payable to F. H. J. King, Chairman of the Board of Stewards.

The Episcopal Fund apportioned to the West Virginia Conference, amounting to \$1,400.00, was announced by the Bishop, and on motion of C. H. Lakin the apportionment of this amount and all other amounts sent under the order of the districts was referred to the Presiding Elders.

On motion of A. Moore a committee on the State of the Church was ordered. A. B. Riker, S. K. Arbuthnot and S. V. Leech were appointed as said committee.

On motion of A. B. Riker the time for the election of delegates to the General Conference was fixed for Saturday at 10:00 a. m. The vote to be taken by ballot, the election to be on a majority vote, and that the required number receiving the highest vote be elected. Also two reserves are to be elected by ballot under the same rule.

The Presiding Elders were instructed to nominate a committee on the Woman's Home and Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and they nominated the following: A. Mick, S. J. Miller, Wm. Anderson, H. C. Howard, F. N. Lynch, J. W. Claypool, S. K. Arbuthnot, D. A. Denton and C. B. Graham.

Arrangements were made and the Conference adjourned. Benediction by Bishop Foss.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at 2:00 p. m. by A. B. Riker, Chairman.

After singing, G. H. Williams, C. Poling, W. E. Lovett and A. B. Riker led in prayer.

The Secretary called the list of appointments, and the pastors came forward and deposited their envelopes with the designated secretaries.

The list of Standing Committees was called and announcements made.

On motion of W. E. Lovett, Conference adjourned, with benediction by J. L. Clark.

SECOND DAY.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Parkersburg, W. Va., Sept. 29, 1899.

The Conference met in business session promptly at 9:00 a. m., with the Bishop in the chair, the hour preceding having been spent in devotional services led by A. B. Rohrbaugh.

The Secretary read the Journal of the morning and afternoon sessions of yesterday, and after some corrections they were approved.

The Statistical Secretary called the list of delinquents, and those present who had not reported responded.

The Treasurer called the list of absentees, and those present handed in their reports.

The thirteenth question was resumed, and D. S. Hammond reported the Charleston District, and the following effective Elders were called, their character passed, and those present reported their collections: G. E. Morris, M. F. Compton, W. P. Guinn, W. H. Hammond, O. C. Phillips, E. L. Meadows, L. E. Leslie, G. W. Alley, S. J. Miller, J. W. Engle, W. T. McCutcheon, A. J. L. Curtis, E. A. Davis and H. K. Riffe.

Clarksburg District was called, and J. Engle made his report. The following effective Elders were called, their character passed, and they gave their reports: L. S. Carter, Wm. Anderson, N. B. Johnson, C. Poling, C. E. Feather, L. N. Coffield, W. B. King, A. D. Perry, T. G. Meredith, D. B. Orr and M. W. Rider.

J. W. Bedford read the report of the Huntington District, and the characters of the effective Elders passed, and those present reported as follows: J. B. Workman, F. W. Queen, S. M. Day, B. D. Mahone, B. B. Evans, H. Scott, H. L. Poling, M. F. Pritchard and S. K. Arbuthnot. J. L. Stevenson was reported as transferred during the year.

CHANGE OF RELATION.

On motion of J. W. Bedford, S. M. Day was granted a superannuated relation, and his case was referred to the Board of Stewards.

S. J. Cotton reported Morgantown District, and the effective Elders were called, their character passed, and they reported as follows: F. M. Cain, G. H. Williams, F. N. Lynch, S. E. Jones, M. D. Nutter, A. E. Barnes, S. King, M. Knotts, N. L. Baumgardner, S. V. Leech, A. W. Ownby, G. C. Shaw, A. A. Kelley, J. J. White and D. T. Carder.

L. H. Jordon reported the New River District, and the characters of the following effective Elders passed, and they reported as follows: E. C. Conaway, J. W. Claypool and J. W. Carroll.

L. W. Roberts reported the Oakland District, and the characters of the following effective Elders were passed, and those present reported H. E. Friend, C. B. Meredith, J. T. Arnold, A. S. Arnett, J. H. Funk, J. N. Sharp, W. R. Hennen, C. E. Leatherby, R. B. Ward, J. Lee, C. W. Cox, J. H. Enlow and J. M. Warden.

The Bishop then announced the hymn, "I love Thy Kingdom Lord, the house of Thine abode," and the congregation sang it heartily.

The seventh question was taken up, "Who have been admitted into full membership?" and the class of the second year was called. The Bishop asked the usual disciplinary question, the registrar reported their examinations, and the Presiding Elders represented them, and the following were admitted into full membership, and those who had not previously been elected to deacon's orders and ordained, were elected to deacon's orders. Admitted and elected to deacon's orders: G. R. Williamson, W. D. Reed, O. A. Kelley, W. H. Mahon, J. S. Harvey, G. U. Balsley, Larkin B. Bowers. Admitted and previously ordained: T. H. Shannon, W. L. Barze, Merton E. Goodrich, H. V. Kingsley, A. M. Grimes. Given credit on examinations passed and continued on trial: W. C. Strohmeier, Rufus Farley. Continued on trial and not having passed the examination: W. M. Kinsley. W. A. Hagerty was continued on trial and is to be left without an appointment to attend school.

S. K. Arbuthnot read the report of the Committee on the Twentieth Century Thank Offering, and on motion of C. B. Graham the report was adopted. (See report.)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

On motion of J. L. Sooy, the Committee on the Twentieth Century Thank Offering was instructed to designate five members of that committee who shall constitute an Executive Committee, with power to organize.

CHANGE OF RELATION.

On motion of A. Cameron, W. E. Lovett was granted a superannuated relation. On motion of J. Engle, L. N. Coffield was granted the same relation, and on motion of J. H. Hess, E. R. Skidmore was granted a supernumerary relation. On motion of J. W. Beford, F. W. Queen was granted a supernumerary relation.

J. R. Keys, D. D., of the publishing committee of the Pittsburgh *Christian Advocate*, was introduced and addressed the Conference in the interest of the *Advocate*.

PROPOSITION OF K. S. BOREMAN.

D. A. Denton read the report of the Board of Control of the *M. E. Times*. The report contained a proposition from the publisher to the Conference with reference to the paper, and on motion of D. S. Hammond, the report and proposition were referred to a special committee. Wm. Anderson, A. B. Rohrbaugh, B. B. Evans, C. B. Graham and J. S. Robinson were named as the committee.

INTRODUCTIONS.

J. M. Freeman, D. D., representing the Sunday School Union and Tract Society; L. A. Core, of the North India Conference; Mrs. A. J. Clark, Conference Secretary and Treasurer of the W. F. M. Society, and Miss Russell, returned missionary from Japan, were introduced to the Conference.

The Bishop appointed C. H. Lakin to conduct the devotional services to-morrow morning.

On motion of C. R. Shackelford, the committees on Conference Relations and General Qualifications were amalgamated.

On motion of C. B. Graham, all candidates for admission on trial and all persons desiring a change of conference relation are referred to the above committee before conference action.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of L. H. Jordon, Saturday at 2:30 p. m. was the hour fixed for holding an executive session.

The Secretary called the list of Standing Committees, and announcements were made, after which the Conference adjourned. Benediction by the Bishop.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY MORNING.

Parkersburg, W. Va., Sept. 30, 1899.

The Conference convened in business session at 9:00 a. m., with the Bishop in the chair. C. H. Lakin conducted the devotional exercises, which opened at 8:00.

The Secretary read the Journal of yesterday's session, and after some corrections the minutes were adopted.

REPORTS OF DISTRICTS.

District reports were called for, and A. Cameron reported the Parkersburg District, and the character of the following effective Elders was passed: Wm. Hunter, A. B. Rohrbaugh, H. C. Sanford, L. D. Ashby, A. D. Adams, W. E. Lovett, Marion Taylor, F. S. Townsend, G. W. Kepler, C. R. Shackelford, E. S. Withers, Taylor Richmond, T. H. Bunting, C. Warman, F. P. Dunbar, H. B. Bowden, J. C. Strader, T. W. Wilson, E. D. W. King, C. W. Upton, D. A. Denton and W. G. Smith.

A. Moore reported the Wheeling District, and the character of the effective Elders was passed, which were G. W. Bent, J. Beddow, V. A. Nanna, U. S. G. Carroll, C. H. Lakin, D. L. Ash, D. W. Ruble, G. D. Smith, A. Merrills, E. E. King, G. Bleakley, W. J. Harkness, J. L. Sooy,

F. T. D. Bickley, S. P. Crummett, E. D. Hanna, A. B. Riker, W. S. Nicholson, C. B. Graham and C. E. Clark.

On motion of J. L. Sooy, the Committee on the State of the Church was instructed to include in their report a paragraph on the present administration with reference to the Philippines.

Mrs. A. J. Clark, Secretary and Treasurer of the W. F. M. Society, addressed the Conference on this branch of church work in West Virginia.

Mrs. J. L. Sooy, President of the W. H. M. Society, addressed the Conference in the interest of the W. H. M. Society.

The tenth question, "What members have completed the Conference course?" was called, and after the report of the registrar and representation by the Presiding Elders, the following were elected to Elder's orders: Wm. G. Loyd, A. D. Garrett, Logan S. Grose, Jessee H. Koch; Rufus G. Backus, Eugene Weaver, Henry C. Howard, Elias C. Bedford, Ossie D. King, Theophilus McCoy, Edward P. Idleman, John L. B. Jones, continued in the fourth year's class; Wm. W. Workman, James M. Kinder, C. H. Molony, Perry D. Fisher.

A. J. Clark, Chairman of the Permanent Trust Fund Association, submitted a report giving a financial statement of the Association.

GENERAL CONFERENCE ELECTION.

The hour fixed for the election of delegates to the General Conference having arrived, the Bishop appointed S. P. Crummett, M. F. Compton, Wm. Anderson, A. A. Kelley, G. W. Kepler and J. S. Robinson tellers. The Conference was instructed to prepare their ballots for five delegates. The tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the vote.

On motion of J. H. Hess, the case of E. R. Skidmore was referred to the Board of Stewards.

Question eleventh, "What others have been elected and ordained deacons?" was taken up. L. H. Jorden presented the recommendation of Daniel Wilson; D. S. Hammond presented the name of Fernando C. Neptune and Charles F. Morris, and they were elected to Deacon's orders, as local preachers.

ADDRESSES.

Dr. A. B. Riker addressed the Conference in the interest of the Educational Society. Dr. J. M. Freeman represented the Sunday School

Union and Tract Society. Dr. J. F. Berry spoke in behalf of the *Epworth Herald*. Dr. Crawford represented Allegheny College. Dr. T. C. Iliff addressed the Conference.

C. W. MYERS.

J. W. Bedford put into the custody of the Conference the credentials of C. W. Myers as an Elder who had been expelled from the church.

N. B. Johnson was appointed to conduct the devotional services on Monday morning.

On motion the time was extended to give opportunity for the tellers to return and announce the result of the vote.

On motion of D. L. Ash, a communication received from the Methodist Hospital, of Philadelphia, was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church. Said committee was instructed to make some reference to the hospital in their report.

TELLERS' REPORT.

The tellers returned and the Bishop announced the result of the ballot, as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 180; necessary to a choice, 91. Dr. A. B. Riker having received 98 and F. N. Lynch 91 votes, they were declared duly elected.

The conference was instructed to prepare their ballots for three delegates. The tellers collected the ballots and retired.

After announcements, Conference adjourned. Benediction by Dr. Spencer.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

Parkersburg, W. Va., Sept. 30, 1899.

Conference met in executive session at 2:30 p. m., the Bishop in the chair. After singing two stanzas of the hymn, "Jesus lover of my soul," E. E. King led in prayer.

The fourth question, "Who have been received on trial?" was taken up. The candidates for reception on trial were called forward, and L. H. Jorden introduced them to the Conference, and the following were received on trial: Cyrus C. Lanham, Fernando C. Neptune, Albert D. Craig, Edward D. Fellers, W. D. Pinson, Walter W. Kent, William B. Young. Wilson Lewis was admitted on trial as an Elder on his credentials from the United Evangelical Church.

The tellers returned and the result of the second ballot was announced: Whole number of votes cast, 175; necessary to a choice, 88. No one having received a majority, a third ballot was taken, and the tellers retired.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES REPORT.

The following report was read by A. B. Rohrbaugh: We, the special committee appointed to consider Mr. S. K. Boreman's proposition, relative to the *Methodist Episcopal Times*, have carefully considered said "proposition," and unanimously recommend to your body the adoption of the same. The report was adopted.

The tellers returned, and the Bishop announced the result of the third ballot: Whole number of votes cast, 152; necessary to a choice, 76. A. Moore having received 87 votes, was declared elected.

The fourth ballot was taken and the tellers retired.

On motion of L. W. Roberts, William M. Schultz was elected to deacon's orders under the Missionary rule.

The tellers returned and the vote was announced: Whole number of votes cast, 169; necessary to a choice, 85. J. W. Bedford having received 102 and L. W. Roberts 99, they were both declared elected.

A vote was taken for two reserve delegates, and the tellers retired.

On motion, the Conference instructed the tellers to post the result of the ballot for reserve delegates.

After announcements the Conference adjourned. Benediction by the Bishop.

FOURTH DAY.

MONDAY MORNING.

Parkersburg, W. Va., Oct. 2, 1899.

The West Virginia Conference convened for devotional service at 8:00 a. m., led by N. B. Johnson. At 9:00 a. m. Bishop Foss took the chair to conduct the business session. The Journal of Saturday morning's and afternoon's sessions were read by the Secretary, corrected and approved. On motion of D. L. Ash, W. J. Harkness was nominated as one of his assistants, the Conference confirming the nomination.

Deacons of first class and in studies of the third year were called, and those present reported their charges and Committee of Examination and Presiding Elders representing them. The following were advanced to the fourth year: P. C. Murgrave, Daniel Westfall and Forbes B. Davis. William Fallen was left without an appointment to attend school. B. B. Brooks, J. F. McClure and Geo. E. Fuller were continued in the class of the third year. Benj. F. Hill and P. H. Hawk were advanced to the fourth year and given credit for studies passed in that year.

Arthur W. Chambers was allowed to withdraw from the church and ministry at his own request.

S. P. Crummett, Statistical Secretary, was granted the privilege of retiring with his assistants to complete their work.

Communication of John L. Stump, Missionary Secretary of the Baptist Church, requesting the appointment of commissioners, was referred to the Committee on State of the Church.

John L. Stump was then called forward and introduced to the Conference by the chair.

J. H. Hess placed in the hands of the Conference the parchments of Geo. W. Lewis, who had withdrawn from the ministry and membership in the church.

The twenty-second question, "Who are the supernumeraries?" was then considered. J. S. Jenkins, D. B. Orr, R. L. Woodyard, N. H. Prince, Levi Cross, S. D. Tamblyn, D. Upton and J. A. Fullerton were continued in their present relation. E. C. Woodruff and S. T. Westfall were changed to the effective.

The class of the first year was called. Geo. T. Baggett, Wm. M. Shultz, P. W. Shrader, James B. Cook, McClelland Reed and C. W. Stevens being represented by their Presiding Elder and the Committee on Examination, were advanced to the class of the second year. H. P. Williams, Geo. A. Shahan, W. W. Burton and W. E. Craig were left without an appointment to attend school. Jas. B. Woodyard was discontinued. Benj. F. Howell was continued in the class of the first year. Alfred L. Ireland was discontinued, and the Presiding Elder given the privilege of using him as a supply.

After singing a very pathetic solo, Dr. Spencer, Secretary of Church Extension, presented his cause.

The Bishop announced the result of the ballot for two reserve dele-

gates: Whole number of votes cast, 155; necessary to election, 78. D. S. Hammond 99, and D. A. Denton 91, and were declared elected.

Twenty-third question, "Who are the superannuates?" was taken up and the character of the following passed and continued in their present relation: F. G. Ford, A. J. Lyda, J. C. Morris, J. B. Feather, U. Pribble, Thomas Cotton, W. W. Kelly, A. A. Nichols, Gideon Martin, R. S. Welsh, B. Ison, W. J. Sharpes, J. T. Carroll, Vanhinden Sanford, John Conwell, W. D. Carrico, A. T. Morriston, W. Wriston, J. T. Davis, J. A. Hammond, W. H. Shaw, J. J. Dolliver, John Birkett, J. L. Clark, Moore McNeal, D. H. K. Dix, L. D. Bryan, B. F. Rogers, G. W. Matheney, T. R. Faulkner and F. M. Malcome.

On motion of S. J. Cotton, the poem recited by Dr. J. L. Clark was ordered printed in the minutes.

On motion of S. J. Cotton the relation of N. D. Nutter was changed from effective to supernumerary.

Spencer King and J. F. Arnold were granted superannuate relation.

The relation of F. T. D. Bickley and Gilbert Rogers was changed from effective to supernumerary.

Dr. Wm. T. Smith, Secretary of the Missionary Society, was introduced to the Conference and spoke in the interest of that cause.

The Bishop read a communication from L. H. Jordan, requesting a withdrawal from the ministry and church, and on motion of J. W. Bedford he was allowed to withdraw under complaint.

Rev. A. B. Riker presented the cause of the West Virginia Camp-meeting to the Conference.

The Committee on Memoirs presented their report. It was adopted.

On motion of A. Moore, the following were appointed as a special Committee on Resolutions: F. N. Lynch, B. B. Evans, A. B. Riker, S. J. Miller and A. Mick.

J. H. Hess moved that when the Conference adjourned, it adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock.

After announcements, Conference adjourned. Benediction by the Bishop.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

Parkersburg, W. Va., Oct. 2, 1899.

Conference met at 2:00 p. m., the Bishop in the chair. The devotional services were conducted by J. L. Sooy.

PROPOSITION SUBMITTED.

A proposition from the Baltimore Conference respecting additional legislation relating to equal ministerial and lay representation in the General Conference of 1900 to the several Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was submitted for a vote, and resulted in 64 votes for said proposition and none against.

On motion of J. L. Sooy, the Conference resolved itself into a Permanent Trust Fund Association.

On motion of J. L. Sooy, the Association received and adopted the report of the President, which was made in open Conference at a previous session.

DIRECTORS ELECTED.

On motion of L. W. Roberts, the following directors were elected: Layman, H. K. List, A. J. Clark, H. F. Jones. Ministers, J. L. Sooy, L. W. Roberts.

Question thirty, "Where shall the next Conference be held?" was taken up. Wm. Anderson put Clarksburg in nomination, and there being no other nominations, Clarksburg was unanimously chosen.

S. V. Leech read the report of the Committee on the State of the Church, and it was adopted on the motion of J. L. Sooy.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

On motion of A. B. Riker, F. S. Townsend and D. A. Denton were named as a committee to meet and confer with a like committee of the several denominations to recommend an amendment to the State Constitution relative to the chartering of Missionary Societies.

PRESENTATION.

Dr. J. L. Sooy, in an appropriate manner, presented to the Conference on behalf of W. J. Harkness, the conference registrar, a well arranged record book with case. On motion of A. Moore, the Conference accepted the gift with thanks.

F. H. J. King, on behalf of the pastors of the Buckhannon District, presented J. H. Hess with a beautiful silver tea set. J. H. Hess responded in an appreciative manner.

L. S. Grose read the report of the Board of Stewards, and on motion the report was adopted. (See report.)

M. F. Compton read the report of the Committee on Education, and the report was adopted.

S. V. Leech read the report of the Committee on Missions, and on motion the report was adopted.

ELECTION.

On motion of C. B. Graham, C. H. Lakin was elected President of the Conference Missionary Society; J. W. Claypool was chosen Vice President; J. B. Workman, Secretary, and C. Warman, Treasurer.

The Committees on Periodicals, Church Extension, Observance of the Sabbath, Parsonages and Furniture, Epworth Leagues, Sunday School Union and Tract Society, American Bible Society, Temperance, Presiding Elders Accounts, and Episcopal Fund all made reports, and these reports were adopted.

ENDORSEMENT.

On motion of C. H. Molony, the Conference endorsed the recommendations made by the Conference Epworth League relative to changes in the Constitution.

TRUSTEES.

The following named persons were nominated to be Trustees of the Conference Campmeeting Association, and were elected: A. B. Riker, T. B. Stephens, C. R. Shackelford, F. N. Lynch, J. M. Grose, Archibald Moore, M. W. Rider, Asbury Mick, B. B. Evans, C. B. Graham, David Dick, D. S. Hammond, Taylor Richmond, A. S. Thomas and H. C. McWhorter.

On motion the Conference adjourned. Benediction by A. B. Riker.

FIFTH DAY.

TUESDAY MORNING.

Parkersburg, W. Va., Oct. 3, 1899.

The Conference opened its business session at 8:30 a. m., S. L. Boyers, by appointment of the Bishop, in the chair. W. E. Lovett conducted the devotional services.

The minutes of the previous days session, both morning and afternoon were read and approved.

C. B. Graham read a resolution endorsing the Children's Home Society of West Virginia and approving the appointment of E. D. Hanna as District Superintendent of said society. Resolution was adopted.

On motion of F. S. Townsend, the Secretary was granted permission to condense reports of standing committees, provided the essential meaning shall not be left out.

C. B. Graham, Secretary of Committee on W. F. M. Society, read the following report: It is with pleasure and gratitude to God that we recognize this department of church work. There has been an increase of nineteen auxiliaries with a membership of four hundred during the past year. We commend this good work of the church everywhere, and bid our sisters God-speed.

E. D. Hanna addressed the Conference in the behalf of the Children's Home Society.

J. Engle, Secretary of the Cabinet, read the report of the Presiding Elders on Missions and the various nominations.

R. B. Ward, Treasurer One Per Cent. Fund, reported.

On motion of A. Moore, the Bishop was requested to appoint E. D. Hanna District Superintendent of the Children's Home Society.

On motion of L. W. Roberts, J. M. Warden was granted a superannuated relation.

On motion of L. W. Roberts, J. Lee was granted a certificate of location at his own request.

On motion of J. W. Bedford, J. F. McClure was given a supernumerary relation.

On motion of J. H. Hess, C. C. Lanham was left without appointment to attend school.

On motion of J. H. Hess, W. H. Penn was admitted on trial.

On motion of L. W. Roberts, the Bishop was requested to appoint S. K. Arbuthnot special agent of the Twentieth Century Thank Offering for West Virginia Conference.

On motion of A. Cameron, the Bishop was requested to appoint D. A. Denton editor of the *Methodist Episcopal Times*.

The Statistical Secretary and Conference Treasurer made their reports. (See tables.)

G. H. Williams offered a resolution memorializing the General Conference of 1900, requesting an enabling act, permitting a division of the West Virginia Conference. The resolution, on motion of J. W. Claypool, was laid on the table.

T. S. Wade, Sam Robinson and W. L. Reed, of the M. E. Church South, were introduced to the Conference.

On motion of D. L. Ash, the Board of Bishops were requested to fix Thursday morning as the time for opening the next session of the West Virginia Conference.

The Committee on Resolutions reported, and the report was adopted. (See resolutions.)

On motion of A. Moore, after reading the minutes and the announcements of the appointments, the Conference adjourned.

The Bishop addressed the Conference, read the appointments, and, after the benediction by the Bishop, the Conference stood adjourned.

CYRUS D. FOSS, President.

D. L. ASH, Secretary.

DISCIPLINARIAN QUESTIONS.

1. Who have been received by transfer, and from what Conferences?
J. Lee, from New York East Conference; William C. Strohmyer, North Dakota Conference.

2. Who have been readmitted? None.

3. Who have been received on credentials, and from what churches?
Wilson Lewis, an Elder from the United Evangelical Church.

4. Who have been received on trial?

(a) In Studies of First Year.—Cyrus C. Lanham, Fernando C. Neptune, Albert D. Craig, Edward D. Fellers, William O. Pinson, Walter D. Kent, William B. Young, Wilson Lewis, W. H. Penn.

(b) In Studies of Third Year.—None.

5. Who have been continued on trial?

(a) In Studies of First Year.—Hiram P. Williams, George A. Shahan, Benjamin F. Howell, William W. Burton, William E. Craig.

(b) In Studies of Second Year.—W. C. Strohmyer, Larkin B. Bowers, Rufus Farley, W. M. Kinsley, W. A. Hagerty, George S. Bag-

gett, Wm. M. Schultz, Phillip W. Shrader, James B. Cook, McClelland Reed, Charles W. Stephens.

(c) In Studies of Third Year.—None.

(d) In Studies of Fourth Year.—None.

6. Who have been discontinued? At his own request, A. L. Ireland; at his own request, James B. Woodyard.

7. Who have been admitted into full membership?

(a) Elected and Ordained Deacons this year.—Gilbert R. Williamson, William D. Reed, Orlando A. Kelley, Wm. H. Mahon, John S. Harvey, Gratten U. Galsley, Larkin B. Bowers.

(b) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously.—Thomas H. Shannon, Wm. L. Barze, Merton E. Goodrich, H. V. Kingsley, A. M. Grimes.

8. What members are in studies of third year?

(a) Admitted to Full Membership this year.—William Fallen, Benson B. Brooks, John F. McClure, George E. Fuller, Gilbert R. Williamson, William D. Reed, Orlando A. Kelley, William H. Mahon, John S. Harvey, Gratten U. Balsley, Larkin B. Bowers, Thomas H. Shannon, Merton E. Goodrich, H. V. Kingsley, A. M. Grimes.

9. What members are in studies of fourth year? Pinkney C. Musgrave, Daniel Westfall, Forbes B. Davis, Benjamin F. Hill, Perry H. Hawk, W. W. Workman, James M. Kinder, Charles H. Molony, Perry D. Fisher.

10. What members have completed the Conference course of study?

(a) Elected and Ordained this year.—William Loyd, Addison D. Garrett, Logan S. Grose, Jesse H. Koch, Rufus G. Backus, Eugene Weaver, Henry C. Howard, Elias C. Bedford, Ossie D. King, Theophilus McCoy, John L. B. Jones.

11. What others have been elected and ordained Deacons?

(a) As Local Preachers.—Daniel Wilson, Fernando C. Neptune, Charles F. Morris.

(b) Under Missionary Rule.—William L. Schultz.

12. What others have been elected and ordained Elders?

(a) As Local Deacons.—None

(b) Under Missionary Rule.—None.

13. Was the character of each preacher examined? This was strictly done in open Conference.

14. Who have been transferred, and to what Conferences? G. W.

Alley, to one of the Indiana Conferences; L. S. Carter, to the Ohio Conference; C. S. Hughes, to North Nebraska Conference.

15. Who have died? A. Stevens, Benjamin Darlington, B. L. Mercer.

16. Who have been located at their own request? J. Lee.

17. Who have been located? None.

18. Who have withdrawn? Arthur W. Chambers.

19. Who have been permitted to withdraw under charges or complaint? L. H. Jorden.

20. Who have been expelled? None.

21. What other personal notation should be made? Wilson Lewis was admitted on trial as an Elder from the United Evangelical Church.

22. Who are supernumerary preachers? J. S. Jenkins, D. B. Orr, R. L. Woodyard, N. H. Prince, Levi Cross, S. D. Tamblyn, D. Upton, J. A. Fullerton, M. D. Nutter, F. T. D. Bickley, Gilbert Rogers, J. F. McClure, Fred Cottrill, F. W. Queen, E. R. Skidmore.

23. Who are the superannuated preachers? G. Martin, R. S. Welsh, W. J. Sharpes, J. T. Carroll, V. Sanford, Moore McNeal, John Conwell, B. F. Rogers, W. D. Carrico, A. T. Morrison, Wm. Wriston, G. W. Matheny, J. T. Davis, J. A. Hammond, W. H. Shaw, W. W. Kelley, Thomas Cotton, U. Prible, J. B. Feather, T. B. Faulkner, A. A. Nichols, B. Ison, J. J. Dolliver, John Birkett, J. L. Clark, F. G. W. Ford, W. W. Workman, W. C. Rogers, A. J. Lyda, D. H. K. Dix, F. M. Malcom, L. D. Bryan, Spencer King, J. F. Arnold, J. M. Warden, S. M. Day, L. N. Coffield.

24. Who are the triers of appeals? R. B. Ward, B. B. Evans, F. H. J. King, W. S. Nicholson, M. F. Compton, N. L. Baumgardner, F. S. Townsend.

25. What is the Statistical Report for this year? See table of statistics.

26. What is the aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer? \$18,-826.00.

27. What are the claims on the Conference Fund? \$9,210.00.

28. What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied? \$4,086.00. See Steward's report.

29. Were are the preachers stationed? See list of appointments.

30. Where shall the next Conference be held? Clarksburg, W. Va.

APPOINTMENTS OF THE PREACHERS.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT, No. 1.

S. P. Crummett, Presiding Elder--1.

P. O.--Buckhannon, W. Va.

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preacher.	Postoffice.	County and State.
2	Addison.....	1	W. T. W. Sleeth.....	Addison.....	Webster, West Va.
3	Auburn.....	1	W. H. Penn.....	Auburn.....	Ritchie, "
4	Barbour.....	1	S. T. Westfall.....	Philippi.....	Barbour, "
5	Belington.....	1	O. U. Marple.....	Belington.....	Barbour, "
6	Beverly.....	1	W. J. Holt.....	Beverly.....	Randolph, "
7	Buckhannon.....	5	Asbury Mick.....	Buckhannon.....	Upshur, "
8	Buckhannon Circul.....	3	F. H. J. King.....	Buckhannon.....	Upshur, "
9	Camden.....	1	J. M. Grose.....	Camden.....	Lewis, "
10	Cleveland.....	1	I. L. Marple, sup.....	Cleveland.....	Webster, "
11	Cape.....		G. G. Westfall, sup.....	Cape.....	Braxton, "
12	Cowan.....		To be supplied.....	Cowan.....	Webster, "
13	Duffy.....		A. L. Ireland, sup.....	Duffy.....	Lewis, "
14	East Buckhannon.....	1	B. F. Hill.....	Buckhannon.....	Upshur, "
15	Elkins.....	1	W. G. Loyd.....	Elkins.....	Randolph, "
16	Flatwoods.....	1	G. E. Ward.....	Flatwoods.....	Braxton, "
17	Freemansburg.....	3	J. A. Marteny.....	Freemansb'g.....	Lewis, "
18	Frenchton.....	1	P. L. Bent.....	Rock Cave.....	Upshur, "
19	Glenville.....	2	D. A. Friend.....	Glenville.....	Gilmer, "
20	Holly Grove.....	1	P. C. Mays.....	Holy Grove.....	Upshur, "
21	Mingo.....				
22	Monroe.....		G. W. White, sup.....	Monroe.....	Randolph, "
23	Montrose.....	5	H. M. Strader.....	Kernes.....	Randolph, "
24	Newlon.....	1	P. W. Shrader.....	Selbyville.....	Upshur, "
25	Philippi.....	1	C. W. Upton.....	Philippi.....	Barbour, "
26	South Buckhannon.....	5	T. W. Chidister.....	Buckhannon.....	Upshur, "
27	Sutton.....	1	L. E. Resseger.....	Sutton.....	Braxton, "
28	Ten Mile.....	1	J. N. Sharp.....	Sellers.....	Upshur, "
29	Troy.....		N. L. G. Anderson, sup.....	Troy.....	Gilmer, "
30	Weston.....	2	J. S. Robinson.....	Weston.....	Lewis, "

31. S. L. Boyers, President of Conference Seminary and member of Buckhannon Quarterly Conference.

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT No. 32.

D. L. Ash, Presiding Elder--1.

Clarksburg, W. Va.

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preacher.	Postoffice.	County and State.
33	Bridgeport.....	2	O. D. King.....	Bridgeport...	Harrison, West Va.
34	Barnesville, supplied..			Fairmont.....	Marion, "
35	Clarksburg.....	2	Wm. Anderson.....	Clarksburg...	Harrison, "
36	Fairmont.....	1	J. H. Hess.....	Fairmont.....	Marion, "
37	Farmington.....	9	C. Poling.....	Farmington...	Marion, "
38	Logansport.....	2	C. E. Feather.....	Logansport...	Marion, "
39	Jarvisville.....	3	B. B. Brooks.....	Jarvisville...	Harrison, "
40	Lumberport.....	1	J. B. Cook.....	Lumberport...	Harrison, "
41	Mannington.....	1	N. B. Johnson.....	Mannington...	Marion, "
42	Marion.....	3	W. D. Reed.....	Amos.....	Marion, "
43	Mount Clare.....	2	P. Z. Musgrave.....	Mt. Clare.....	Harrison, "
44	Pine Grove.....		Suppl'd by S. S. White	Pine Grove...	Wetzel, "
45	Pruntytown.....	1	A. E. Barnes.....	Pruntytown...	Taylor, "
46	Salem.....	4	T. G. Meredith.....	Salem.....	Harrison, "
47	Shinston.....	3	F. B. Davis.....	Shinston.....	Harrison, "
48	Smithton.....	2	Theophilus McCoy.....	Smithton.....	Doddridge, "
49	Wallace, supplied.....	2	D. B. Orr.....	Wallace.....	Harrison, "
50	West Milford.....	3	M. W. Rider.....	West Milford...	Harrison, "
51	Wilsonburg.....	3	A. D. Garrett.....	Wilsonburg...	Harrison, "
52	Wyatt, supplied.....	2	J. F. Chenoweth.....	Wyatt.....	Harrison, "

CHARLESTON DISTRICT No. 53.

D. S. Hammond, Presiding Elder--4.

P. O.--Charleston, W. Va.

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preacher.	Postoffice.	County and State.
54	Arnoldsburg	4	J. M. Kinder	Mt, Zion	Calhoun, West Va.
55	Charleston, State St.	2	M. F. Compton	Charleston	Kanawha, "
56	Charleston, Bowman ..	2	Geo. E. Morris	Charleston	Kanawha, "
57	Charleston Circuit	1	W. T. McCutcheon	Patrick	Kanawha, "
58	Cicerone	1	Thos. Parks, supply ..	Cicerone	Roane, "
59	Clendennen	4	W. H. Hammond	Clendennen	Kanawha, "
60	Clinton and Mason	1	F. C. Neptune	Clifton	Mason, "
61	Cottageville	1	E. A. Davis	Cottageville	Jackson, "
62	Elmwood	1	Geo. E. Fuller	Elmwood	Mason, "
63	Goldtown	1	John McKendree, sup.	Goldtown	Jackson, "
64	Graham Mines	1	L. E. Leslie	Graham M's	Kanawha, "
65	Hartford	1	E. L. Meadows	Hartford	Mason, "
66	Leon	1	B. F. King, supply ..	Leon	Mason, "
67	Malden and Danaville ..	1	W. W. Kent	Malden	Kanawha, "
68	Mount Union	4	P. D. Fisher	Clarence	Roane, "
69	Noble	1	H. K. Riffe	Lockhart	Jackson, "
70	Point Pleasant	2	S. J. Miller	Pt. Pleasant	Mason, "
71	Ravenswood	2	Jas. W. Engle	Ravenswood	Jackson, "
72	Raymond	2	W. H. Mahon	Red House	Putnam, "
73	Reedy	1	W. F. Bonnett, supply	Reedy	Roane, "
74	Riverside	1	W. K. Young, supply ..	Charleston	Kanawha, "
75	Spencer	1	O. C. Phillips	Spencer	Roane, "
76	Ripley	1	W. P. Guinn	Ripley	Jackson, "
77	Walton	1	A. J. L. Curtis	Speed	Roane, "
78	West Charleston	2	O. A. Kelley	Patrick	Kanawha, "

79. E. D. Hanna, District Superintendent of Children's Home Society of West Virginia, and member of Bowman Quarterly Conference.

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT. No. 80.

J. W. Bedford, Presiding Elder--5.

P. O.--Milton, W. Va.

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preacher	Postoffice.	County and State.
81	Acme		To be supplied	Acme	Kanawha, West Va.
82	Ashton		C. G. McAbey, supply ..	Ashton	Mason, "
83	Cassville		Albert Engle, supply ..	Ft. Gay	Wayne, "
84	Central City	2	P. H. Hawk	Central City	Cabell, "
85	Ceredo		To be supplied	Ceredo	Wayne, "
86	Copleyville		To be supplied	Copleyville	Wayne, "
88	Dingess		G. J. Hartman, sup. ..	Dingess	Mingo, "
89	Dunlow		Z. T. Scantlin, supply ..	Dunlow	Wayne, "
90	Egypt		J. S. Thornburg, sup. ..	Egypt	Wayne, "
91	Fairfields	1	H. L. Poling	Fairfields	Kanawha, "
92	Griffithsville		A. C. Hicks, supply ..	Griffithsville ..	Lincoln, "
93	Guyandotte	1	G. R. Williamson	Guyandotte	Cabell, "
94	Hamlin		W. F. Jewkins, supply	Hamlin	Lincoln, "
95	Henderson	3	B. D. Mahone	Veranda	Mason, "
96	Huntington, 1st Ch'rch ..	2	B. B. Evans	Huntington	Ca ell, "
97	Huntington, 7th Ave. ..	3	Hezekiah Scott	Huntington	Cabell, "
98	Hurricane	1	Wilson Lewis	Hurricane	Putnam, "
99	Kanawha City		To be supply	Kan'ha City	Kanawha, "
100	Kenova		E. J. Westfall, supply ..	Kenova	Wayne, "
101	Matewan		To be supplied	Matewan	Mingo, "
102	Milton	1	A. D. Craig	Milton	Cabell, "
103	Nestlow		F. Hagar, supply	Nestlow	Wayne, "
104	Peytona		T. T. Frasure, supply ..	Peytona	Boone, "
105	Reid	2	A. M. Grimes	Huntington	Cabell, "
106	Ruth		H. A. Barlow, supply ..	Ruth	Kanawha, "
107	St. Albans		To be supplied	St. Albans	Kanawha, "
108	Sheridan		W. M. Stephens, sup. ..	Midkiff	Lincoln, "
109	Thacker		S. B. Hart, supply	Thacker	Mingo, "
110	Wayne	1	W. C. Strohmyer	Herbert	Wayne, "
111	Williamson		To be supplied	Williamson	Mingo, "
112	Winfield	2	R. F. Farley	Winfield	Putnam, "
113	Winifrede		To be supplied	Winifrede	Kanawha, "

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT, No. 114.**S. J. Cotton, Presiding Elder--3.****P. O.--Grafton, W. Va.**

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preacher.	Postoffice.	County and State.
115	Arnettsville.....	3	F. M. Cain.....	Arnettsville.	Monongalia, W. Va.
116	Blacksville.....	4	G. H. Williams.....	Blacksville.,	Monongalia. "
117	Grafton.....	3	F. N. Lynch.....	Grafton.....	Taylor, "
118	Halleck.....	1	Marcellus Knotts.....	Halleck.....	Preston, "
119	Jollytown, Pa.....	1	A. D. Perry.....	Jollytown.....	Green, Pennsylvania
120	Kingwood.....	1	H. C. Howard.....	Kingwood.....	Preston, W. Va.
121	Knottsville.....	1	Clemer Warman.....	Krotttsville..	Taylor, "
122	Littleton.....	2	S. E. J nes.....	Hundred.....	Wetzel, "
123	Morgantown.....	2	S. V. Leech.....	Morgantown.....	Monongalia, "
24	Morgantown Circuit...	2	A. W. Ownby.....	Morgantown.....	Monongalia, "
125	Monongalia.....	1	W. G. Smith.....	Morgantown.....	Monongalia, "
126	Masontown.....	1	E. D. Fellers.....	Masontown.....	Preslon, "
127	Palatine.....	1	Jeremiah Engle.....	Palatine.....	Marion, "
128	Palatine Circuit.....	1	N. L. Baumgardner.....	Palatine.....	Marion, "
129	Tunnelton.....	2	J. J. White.....	Tunnelton.....	Preston, "
130	Wadestown.....	2	D. F. Carder.....	Wadstown....	Monongalia, "

NEW RIVER DISTRICT, No. 131.**A. S. Arnett, Presiding Elder--1.****P. O.--Fayetteville, W. Va.**

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preacher.	Postoffice.	County and State.
132	Athens.....		Supplied by.....	Athens.....	Mercer, West Va.
133	Birch River.....		Sup'd by C. A. Spence	Sutton.....	Braxton, "
134	Boone.....		Supplied by.....	Bold Knob ..	Boone, "
135	Brooklyn.....		Supplied by.....	Brooklyn.....	Raleigh, "
136	Claremont.....	3	W. L. Braze.....	Claremont.....	Fayette, "
137	Clay.....	1	W. B. Young.....	Clay.....	Clay, "
138	Elk River.....		Sup. by Daniel Wilson	Osb'n's M's	Roane, "
140	Fayette.....	4	R. G. Backus.....	Kfncaid.....	Fayette, "
141	Flat Top.....		Sup'd by J. P. Shaffer	Ashland.....	McDowell, "
142	Gilbert.....		Sup'd by E. S. Harless	Uyno.....	Wyoming, "
143	Hewitt.....		Sup'd by J. S. Pullin..	Hewitt.....	Boone, "
144	Logan.....		Sup'd by E. S. Dickens	Rich.....	Logan, "
145	Mattville.....		Sup. by W. E. Shaffer	Dry Creek...	Raleigh, "
146	Montgomery.....	2	B. F. Howell.....	Powelton.....	Fayette, "
147	Mt. Cove.....	1	L. S. Grose.....	Leander.....	Fayette, "
148	New Raleigh.....		Sup'd S. M. McKinney	Basin.....	Wyoming, "
150	Nicholas.....	1	E. C. Conaway.....	Gilboa.....	Nicholas, "
151	Norwood.....		Sup'd by.....	Norwood.....	McDowell, "
152	Ophelia.....	2	J. W. Claypool.....	Ophelia.....	Nicholas, "
153	Oceana.....		C. W. Stephan.....	Oceana.....	Wyoming, "
154	Pleasant Retreat.....		Sup'd John A. Nutter..	Pleasant R't	Clay, "
154	Raleigh.....		Sup'd by C. E. Shaffer	Beckley.....	Raleigh, "
155	Spring Dale.....		Sup'd by John Forshey	Spring Dale..	Fayette, "
156	Summersville.....	3	J. W. Carroll.....	Summersv'le	Nicholas, "
157	Tate Creek.....		Sup'd by.....	Frametown..	Braxton, "

OAKLAND DISTRICT, No. 158,

L. W. Roberts, Presiding Elder--3.

P. O.--Oakland, Maryland.

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preacher.	Postoffice.	County and State.
159	Albright.....	3	H. E. Friend.....	Albright.....	Preston, West Va.
160	Aurora.....	1	J. H. Koch.....	Aurora.....	Preston, " "
161	Brandonville.....	1	J. B. Workman.....	Brandonville	Preston, " "
162	Bayard.....	2	C. B. Meredith.....	Bayard.....	Gormania.
163	Blaine.....	1	J. O. Bolton.....	Blaine.....	Bruceton..
164	Bruceton.....	1	E. P. Idleman.....	Bruceton..	Preston, West Va.
165	Cranesville.....	4	E. C. Bedford.....	Cranesville..	Preston, " "
166	Davis.....	1	G. C. Shaw.....	Davis.....	Evansville..
167	Etam.....	1	H. H. Shaw, supply..	Etam.....	Preston, West Va.
168	Evansville.....	1	C. W. Cox.....	Evansville..	Garrett, Maryland.
169	Friendsville.....	2	W. R. Hennen.....	Friendsville..	Garrett, " "
170	Grantsville.....	1	Eugene Weaver.....	Grantsville..	Horton.....
171	Horton.....	2	W. M. Schultz.....	Horton.....	Mt. Lake & Deer Park
172	Mt. Lake & Deer Park	3	J. H. Funk.....	Mt. Lake....	Garrett, Maryland.
173	Newburg.....	3	C. E. Leatherby.....	Newburg.....	Preston, West Va.
174	Oakland.....	3	R. B. Ward.....	Oakland.....	Garrett, Maryland.
175	Parsons.....	1	M. F. Pritchard.....	Parsons.....	Rowlesburg..
176	Rowlesburg.....	2	J. H. Enlow.....	Rowlesburg..	Preston, West Va.
177	Sinclair.....	1	E. C. Woodruff.....	Sinclair.....	Garrett, Maryland.
178	Swanton.....	1	C. A. Powers, supply..	Swanton.....	Garrett, " "
179	Terra Alta.....	1	J. L. B. Jones.....	Terra Alta...	Preston, West Va.
180	Thomas.....	1	Daniel Westfall.....	Thomas.....	

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT, No. 181.

Albert Cameron, Presiding Elder--2.

P. O.--Parkersburg, W. Va.

No.	Name of Charge.	No.	Preacher.	Postoffice.	County and State.
182	Belleville.....	2	Wm. Hunter.....	Belleville....	Wood, West Va.
183	Cairo.....	3	A. B. Rohrbough.....	Cairo.....	Ritchie, " "
184	Centerville.....	2	A. D. Adams.....	Alma.....	Tyler, " "
185	Elizabeth.....	2	J. S. Harvey.....	Elizabeth....	Wirt, " "
186	Ellenboro.....	2	H. C. Sanford.....	Ellenboro....	Ritchie, " "
187	Harrisville.....	2	L. D. Ashby.....	Harrisville..	Ritchie, " "
188	Hebron.....		To be supplied.....		
189	Middlebourne.....	1	M. E. Goodrich.....	Middlebour'e	Tyler, " "
190	Newark.....	1	E. S. Withers.....	Newark.....	Wirt, " "
191	North Parkersburg...	2	D. W. Smith, supply..	Dallison....	Wood, " "
192	Parkersburg, 1st Ch'h.	4	F. S. Townsend.....	Parkersburg	Wood, " "
193	P'k't, Ebron & Rivers'd	2	G. W. Kepler.....	Parkersburg	Wood, " "
194	Parkersburg Circuit...	2	C. R. Shackelford.....	Newport.....	Wood, " "
195	Pennsboro.....	2	W. M. Kingsley.....	Pennsboro....	Ritchie, " "
196	Pleasants.....	1	Marion Taylor.....	Parkersburg	Wood, " "
197	Pullman.....	2	Taylor Richmond.....	Pullman.....	Ritchie, " "
198	Pursley.....	2	T. H. Bunting.....	Pursley.....	Tyler, " "
199	St. Mary's.....	1	A. A. Kely.....	St. Mary's...	Pleasants, " "
200	Shilo.....	3	F. P. Dunbar.....	Shilo.....	Tyler, " "
201	Sistersville.....	3	H. B. Bowden.....	Sistersville..	Tyler, " "
202	Smithville.....	2	J. C. Strader.....	Smithville...	Ritchie, " "
203	South Parkersburg...	2	T. W. Wilson.....	Newport.....	Wood, " "
204	Volcano.....	3	E. D. W. King.....	Ogden.....	Wood, " "
205	West Union.....	2	Martin Talbott.....	West Union..	Doddridge, " "
206	Williamstown.....	1	G. S. Baggett.....	Williamst'wn	Wood, " "
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208. D. A. Denton, Editor Methodist Episcopal Times, and member of Quarterly Conference, First Church Parkersburg.

209. S. K. Arbuthnot, Special Agent Twentieth Century Thank-Offering Fund and member First Church Parkersburg Quarterly Conference.

WHEELING DISTRICT, No. 210.

Archibald Moore, Presiding Elder--5.

P. O.--Wheeling, W. Va.

No.	Name of Charge.	Yr.	Preacher .	Postoffice.	County and State.
211	Benwood.....	2	G. W. Bent.....	Benwood.....	Marshall, West Va.
212	Cameron.....	3	John Beddow.....	Cameron.....	Marshall, "
213	Cameron Circuit.....	1	T. H. Shannon.....	Cameron.....	Marshall, "
214	Dallas.....	3	V. A. Nanna.....	Dallas.....	Marshall, "
215	Fulton.....	1	W. D. Pinson.....	Fulton.....	Ohio, "
216	Marshall.....	3	C. H. Lakin.....	Sherrard.....	Marshall, "
217	McMechen.....	2	U. S. G. Carroll.....	McMechen.....	Marshall, "
218	Moundsville.....	1	W. B. King.....	Moundsville.....	Marshall, "
219	Moundsville Circuit.....	4	D. W. Ruble.....	Moundsville.....	Marshall, "
220	New Martinsville.....	2	G. D. Smith.....	N. Martins'le.....	Wetzel, "
221	N. Martinsville Circuit.....	1	H. V. Kingsley.....	N. Martins'le.....	Wetzel, "
222	Pleasant Valley.....	2	Arthur Merrills.....	Pleasant V'y.....	Marshall, "
223	Proctor.....		A. L. Cathers, supply.....	Proctor.....	Wetzel, "
224	Shortcreek & Liberty..	3	G. U. Balsley.....	W. Liberty.....	Ohio, "
225	Silver Hill.....	2	E. E. King.....	Silver Hill.....	Wetzel, "
226	Triadelphia.....	1	W. S. Nicholson.....	Triadelphia.....	Ohio, "
227	Wheeling, Chapline st.	2	W. J. Harkness.....	Wheeling.....	Ohio, "
228	Wheeling, Fourth st...	4	J. L. Sooy.....	Wheeling.....	Ohio, "
229	Wheeling, North st...	4	C. B. Graham.....	Wheeling.....	Ohio, "
230	Wheeling, Thompson..	4	C. E. Clark.....	Wheeling.....	Ohio, "
231	Wheeling, Wesley C'pl	1	Gregory Bleakley.....	Wheeling.....	Ohio, "
232	Wheeling, Zane st.....	1	C. H. Molony.....	Wheeling.....	Ohio, "

233. A. B. Riker, President of Mt. Union College, and member of Fourth Street Quarterly Conference.

C. C. Lanham, W. A. Hagerty, G. A. Shahan, William Fallen, W. E. Craig, L. B. Bowers, McClelland Reed, H. P. Williams and W. W. Burton left without appointment to attend some of our schools.

MEMOIRS.

REV. ASBURY STEVENS.

Asbury Stevens was born near Morgantown, W. Va., April 11, 1819, and died at his home in Palatine, W. Va., April 14, 1899. He was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church at the age of 16, and was admitted on trial in the West Virginia Conference (1848) at the time of its organization. Ordained a Deacon in 1850, and an Elder in 1852. During his ministry he served the following charges: Blacksville, Brandonville, Buckhannon, Marion, Pruntytown, Moundsville, South Wheeling, Short Creek and Liberty, Charleston, Malden, Bridgeport, Evansville, Smithton and Burton. He also spent several years in educational work. He was a close student all his life, and had thoroughly mastered seven languages. For him "to live was Christ and to die was gain."

BETRAM L. MERCER.

B. L. Mercer was born near Fairmont, W. Va., June 5, 1870, and died at Springfield, Hampshire county, W. Va., Dec. 2, 1898. He was converted and joined the M. E. Church at the age of fourteen. He was married to Miss Mollie E. Taylor, of Springfield, W. Va., in 1895. Was received on trial in the West Virginia Conference in 1895, and appointed to Halleck charge, and was in his third year's pastorate on this charge when his health failed. He was a thoroughly consecrated man to God, and his work prospered under his care. He gave promise of a man of ability and of great worth to the church. His death was a triumph of the faith in Jesus Christ.

CHARLOTTE BROOKS.

Mrs. Charlotte Brooks (nee Smith) was born April 3, 1825. She was converted at the age of 16, and united with the Methodist Protestant Church and remained a member of that church until 1882, when she was married to the Rev. Richard L. Brooks, a member of the West Virginia Conference, and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, and remained a faithful member until her death, November 13, 1898. For years she had been leaning on the Lord, and when the end came, He did not desert her. Like many another pilgrim, before her sun set she saw the Holy City.

CELINA MONROE.

Mrs. Celina Monroe (nee Hall) was born in Harrison county, W. Va., March 27, 1823, and died January 17, 1899. She was married to Rev. George Monroe, of the West Virginia Conference, in April, 1854, and shared with him the laborious work of an itinerant's life. She was converted and joined the church at the age of 18. She not only believed in Sanctification as taught by the Methodist Episcopal Church, but exemplified it to all the world in her life. Her husband died in 1872, leaving her to fight the battle of life single-handed, which she did in a noble spirit. Her suffering, for several years previous to her death, was very great, yet in the midst of all this the Lord sustained her. She gave evidence of great peace and joy before departing. She wore the robes every day, and did not wait to put them on in heaven.

EVA WOODFORD NUTTER.

Mrs. Eva Woodford Nutter was born in Barbour county, near Philippi, April 28, 1862, and died at her home in Kingwood, W. Va., February 13, 1899. She was converted and joined the Baptist Church at 12 years of age, of which she remained a member for nine years. She united with the M. E. Church in 1883. She was married to Rev. M. D. Nutter June 20, 1886, and in 1887 moved with her husband to Boston. Soon her health began to fail, and they were compelled to seek a healthier clime, ending their search for the coveted prize at Kingwood, where, after a brief illness, her spirit took its flight to a better world.

Her Christian experience through life was bright, and when the end came her faith failed not. Her mortal remains were laid to rest in Mount Olive cemetery, near Philippi, W. Va.

BENJAMIN DARLINGTON.

Rev. Benjamin Darlington, one of the war veterans of the West Virginia Conference, died June 1, 1899, at his home at Jerrett, Kanawha, county, West Virginia. Brother Darlington was born in Nicholas, Virginia, now West Virginia, January 26, 1819. He was converted in early life and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was twice married. First, to Miss Nancy Foster, April 13, 1840. April 22, 1873, Mrs. Darlington died in peaceful triumph. April 12, 1874, he was again married, to Mrs. Henrietta H. Snyder. He began traveling in the ministry in 1847. In April, 1859, he was received on trial in the West Virginia Conference, at its session in Parkersburg. He was appointed to the following charges: 1859, Coal River; 1860, Fayette; 1861, Summersville, Mt. Cove; 1862, Fayette and Raleigh; 1863, Raleigh; 1864, Summersville, Fayette, Mt. Cove and Raleigh; 1865, Pocatalico; 1866-67, Connelton; 1868-69, Charleston Circuit; 1870, Nicholas; 1871-72, Spencer; 1873 to '75, Malden; 1876, Ravenswood; 1877-78, Hamlin; 1879-81, Wayne; 1882-84, Winfield; 1885-88, Wayne; 1889-90, St. Albans; 1891-93, Pleasant Retreat; 1894, Elk River. Through all the years of his ministry he was scrupulously faithful to work committed to him. He was reserved and unassuming, but a man of a noble order. During the war of the Rebellion he preached in that region of country where bitterness reached its extreme limit, and where it was far from safe for ministers of the M. E. Church to go. But he was fearless and faithful, not counting his life dear unto himself. He was one of those heroes in humble life who never sought the praise of men. His record is on high—his praise is of God.

A TRIBUTE OF AFFECTION.

CONFERENCE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

Wheeling, W. Va., Jan. 11, 1899.

Whereas, God in His all-wise providence has called from among us by death our beloved Brother John Bailie, who was Secretary of this Board almost from its origin, and who was ever faithful to all the demands made upon him, either by the Parent or Conference Boards, and,

Whereas, Brother Bailie was a spotless character and a model Christian gentleman, one whom God delighted to honor, and one worthy of emulation by all, and especially young men. His office being a Bethel and a throne of glory; therefore,

Resolved, That we hereby record our appreciation of his inestimable value to this Board and to the Church, while we humbly submit to the will of Him who knoweth best.

Resolved, That we extend to his brother and sisters our Christian affection and sincere sympathy in their deep sorrow and severe affliction, and that the Secretary of the Board communicate this action to the next annual Conference and to the bereaved family.

H. K. LIST, President.

C. B. GRAHAM, Secretary.

A TRIBUTE OF AFFECTION

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH

It is with a heart full of affection and gratitude that I write these few lines to you, my dear friends, who have so long and faithfully supported the cause of the Church. Your love and devotion have been the strength and comfort of the Church, and it is a privilege to be able to express my appreciation of your services. I am sure that your prayers and sacrifices have been a great blessing to the Church, and I am confident that your love and devotion will continue to be a source of strength and comfort to the Church for many years to come.

H. K. BENT, President

1888

Roll of the Honored Dead of the West Virginia Conference.

No.	Name.	Place of Death.	Date of Death.	Conference Relation at Time of Death.	Age.	Years in Ministry.
1	George Demmer	Wayne County, W. Va.	October 6, 1851.	Effective	28	2
2	Abraham Longhridge	Jranville,	April 22, 1854.	On Trial	32	1
3	Silas Burns	South Wheeling	December 15, 1854.	Effective	26	3
4	William Summers	Martin's Ferry, Ohio	March 29, 1855.	Supernumerary	58	20
5	Eli McLaughlin	Ripley, West Va.	April 3, 1855.	On Trial	30	2
6	Alpheus Robe	Clinton Furnace, "	December 4, 1855.	Effective	33	5
7	Jesse Freeland	Kingwood, "	June 6, 1856.	Superannuated	40	7
8	James A. Young	Near Shinnston, "	June 17, 1857.	On Trial	24	1
9	Goreon Battelle	Washington, D. C.	August 7, 1862.	Effective	47	17
10	Jacob S. Patterson	Knightstown, Indiana.	July 10, 1864.	Superannuated	45	21
11	Paul Vandervort	Jollytown, Pennsylvania.	August 26, 1865.	Effective	37	10
12	William R. Carroll	Near Kingwood, W. Va.	July 20, 1867.1	Superannuated	38	4
13	W. D. Warman	Ravenswood, "	January 19, 1868.	Effective	50	7
14	Philip Green	Near Lumberport, "	January 24, 1870.	Superannuated	80	44
15	Allen B. Smith	Buffalo, "	May 19, 1870.	Effective	45	6
16	John L. Erwin	Fairmont, "	April 26, 1871.	"	59	40
17	George Monroe	Point Pleasant, "	August 8, 1872.	Superannuated	69	25
18	Edgar B. Blundon	Burning Springs, "	March 6, 1873.	Effective	37	7
19	George W. Richmond	Wheeling, "	March 16, 1874.	"	41	17
20	Thomas M. Hartley	West Liberty, "	May 3, 1875.	"	33	11
21	Michael Dowler	Mashall County, "	November 26, 1875.	Supernumerary	70	6
22	Moses Tichnel	Rosemond, Illinois	May 23, 1876.	Superannuated	70	38
23	Wilson Hindman	Moundsville, W. Va.	March 17, 1878.	Effective	50	28
24	J. C. Blair	Fairmont, "	December 23, 1878.	"	63	36
25	Francis M. Hughes	Cameron, "	September 14, 1879.	"	32	12
26	J. C. Sidebottom	Barboursville, "	1881.	Supernumerary	44	7
27	Francis Guthrie	Gallipolis, Ohio	July 7, 1881.	Superannuated	80	45
28	S. D. Jones	Williamstown, W. Va.	March 21, 1881.	"	75	51
29	L. D. Heatherly	Round Bottom, Wayne County, W. Va.	December 13, 1882.	"	26	5
30	J. G. Weaver	Upland, Pennsylvania	May 19, 1883.	"	48	20
31	G. W. Parriott	Near Cameron, W. Va.	November 8, 1883.	Effective	49	10
32	W. H. Young	Middlebourne, "	May, 1884.	"	38	14
33	David M. Heaston	Buckhannon, "	November 11, 1884.	"	38	8
34	Neville C. Beckley	Charleston, "	October 16, 1885.	"	49	16
35	John S. Laughlin	Deer Park, Maryland	March 7, 1886.	Superannuated	41	14
36	Samuel Steele	Buckhannon, W. Va.	May 24, 1886.	Effective	62	36
37	Andrew Dixon	Near Mountain Cove, W. Va.	February, 1886.	Superannuated	80	53
38	Robert Laughlin	Greene County, Pennsylvania	January 17, 1887.	"	74	40
39	Calvin Connor	Moundsville, W. Va.	December 28, 1886.	"	67	36

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No.	Name.	Place of Death.	Date of Death.	Conference Relation at Time of Death.	Age.	Years in Ministry.
40	John C. Kurtz.....	Deer Park, Maryland.	April 16, 1887.....	Effective.....	36	1
41	Thomas P. Ryan.....	Roane County, W. Va.....	October 14, 1887.....	".....	54	14
42	John R. West.....	Newport, Ohio.....	May 21, 1889.....	uperannuated.....	90	67
43	John W. Hess.....	Centerville, Tyler County, W. Va.....	October 13, 1889.....	Effective.....	56	20
44	Daniel W. Smith.....	Malden, W. Va.....	January 3, 1890.....	Superannuated.....	31	3
45	George R. Copeland.....	Hundred, ".....	August 20, 1890.....	Effective.....	42	13
46	George Crossfield.....	Berkely Springs, ".....	March, 1891.....	Superannuated.....	69	42
47	James W. W. Bolton.....	Palatine, ".....	February 19, 1891.....	Effective.....	57	34
48	Thomas H. Trainer.....	Benwood, ".....	April 19, 1891.....	Superannuated.....	71	42
49	Samuel R. Dawson.....	Ellenboro, ".....	January 28, 1892.....	Superannuated.....	68	45
50	E. H. Orwen.....	Aberdeen, Maryland.....	August 18, 1892.....	".....	57	37
51	John C. Rexroad.....	Evansville, West Va.....	September 22, 1892.....	Effective.....	49	20
52	J. B. Pinchen.....	Swan Creek, Ohio.....	April 26, 1893.....	Superannuated.....	..	..
53	John W. Reger.....	Buckhannon, W. Va.....	July 6, 1893.....	".....	..	..
54	Loren L. Stewart.....	Williamstown, ".....	January 15, 1893.....	Effective.....	48	23
55	Samuel Hitchens.....	Morgantown, ".....	May 23, 1893.....	Superannuated.....	53	..
56	W. R. White.....	Fairmont, ".....	November 10, 1893.....	".....	74	50
57	R. M. Wallace.....	Clarksburg, ".....	October 2, 1893.....	Superannuated.....	76	32
58	T. E. Galway.....	Grafton, ".....	October 13, 1893.....	Effective.....	43	10
59	John A. Williams.....	Buckhannon, ".....	January 21, 1894.....	Superannuated.....	78	..
60	Richard Northcraft.....	Harrisville, ".....	October 28, 1894.....	".....	76	..
61	J. T. Eichelberger.....	St. Cloud, ".....	January, 1895.....	".....	57	..
62	Richard L. Brooks.....	Selbyville, ".....	September 21, 1896.....	".....	85	..
63	Robert Brooks.....	St. Albans, ".....	February 14, 1895.....	".....	..	..
64	J. L. Boylen.....	Roanoke, ".....	June 23, 1895.....	Effective.....	29	4
65	D. A. McGinnis.....	Mole Hill, ".....	May 17, 1896.....	Superannuated.....	..	7
66	D. S. Benedum.....	Salem, ".....	.....	".....	71	6
67	Alexander Justice.....	Palatine, ".....	February 8, 1897.....	Effective.....	28	3
68	C. J. Trippett.....	Ravenswood, ".....	August 7, 1897.....	".....	53	28
69	Benjamin Hagar.....	Hewitt, ".....	August 20, 1897.....	Superannuated.....	84	50
70	B. L. Mercer.....	Springfield, ".....	December 2, 1898.....	".....	28	3
71	A. Stevens.....	Palatine, ".....	April 14, 1899.....	".....	80	51
72	B. Darlington.....	Jarrett, ".....	June 1, 1899.....	".....	80	40

Reports of Standing Committees.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Our institutions of learning are our training schools, where Methodism is preparing her forces to meet the responsibility that rests upon her. The Board of Education is faithfully endeavoring to promote the educational interest of the whole church. Last year the Board, through the Children's Day collection, aided 1,825 students; 23 of these were from our own Conference, while our collection amounted to \$450. Our students received \$895. We urge our pastors not to neglect this important interest.

The youth of our day are indeed fortunate; whichever way they turn, duty and opportunity point to the open-door of some one of our schools.

Among "the West Virginia Hills" stands our own Conference Seminary without a parallel in the educational development of the State or of our church, having an enrollment last year of 385 students. Its only need at this time is money with which to meet its increasing demands. In harmony with the appeal of our Bishops for \$10,000,000 for educational institutions, the Trustees of the Seminary and the Presiding Elders of our Conference call upon our people to contribute \$125,000 as our Twentieth Century Thank Offering, \$100,000 of this sum to be a permanent endowment fund. We recommend that the Conference concur in the action of the Trustees and Presiding Elders.

In the north stands Allegheny College, one of the oldest institutions of learning in the country, with a history full of honor. Across the Ohio, in the northwest, are two great institutions of learning in touch with our Conference. The Ohio Wesleyan University takes rank with the most successful in Methodism. It has done a noble work, and with gathered energy looks forward to a beneficent future. Mount Union College, where Dr. Riker stands in the open door to bid our young people

welcome, has enjoyed great prosperity during the past year, and the outlook for the future is full of promise.

A wholesome religious atmosphere characterizes all our schools; revivals of religion are frequent; the Bible more and more is being accorded a prominent place in all these schools. For theological training we heartily endorse and recommend to all our young ministers the Boston School of Theology, Drew Theological Seminary, and Garrett School of Theology, at Evanston, Ill. These are indeed the schools of the prophets, and from them each year go forth a noble company of young men equipped for Christian service. We rejoice in the completion of the Hall of History of the American University at Washington, D. C. The twentieth century shall not reproach us that we slept while our Christ was struggling for the world's mastery. We emphasize the recommendation of last year, "that all our young men who are planning to enter the ministry begin at our Conference Seminary, go through college, and complete their course, if possible, in one of our theological schools."

We recommend the following:

Mt. Union College.—Committee of Supervision, D. S. Hammond, A. Cameron, F. N. Lynch. Visitors, A. B. Rohrbaugh and M. F. Compton.

Boston University.—As visitors, G. E. Morris and H. C. Howard.

Ohio Wesleyan University.—Trustee, J. H. Hess. Visitors, F. S. Townsend and William Anderson.

Woman's College, Baltimore.—Visitors, B. B. Evans and C. E. Leatherby.

De Pauw University.—Visitors, R. B. Ward and S. J. Miller.

Allegheny College.—Board of Control, Ministers, D. L. Ash, C. E. Clark. Laymen, H. F. Jones, C. W. Lynch. Visitors, S. K. Arbuthnot, S. P. Crummett.

Drew Theological Seminary.—Visitors, D. A. Denton, W. J. Harkness.

Trustees Conference Seminary.—C. B. Graham, S. P. Crummett, J. C. Bardall, A. M. Poundstone, and C. W. Archbold in place of L. H. Jordan.

Visitors to Conference Seminary.—J. L. Sooy, S. V. Leech, Wm. Anderson, G. D. Smith, J. S. Robinson, James Lakin, F. A. Thayer, Dr. F. J. Posten.

[Signed.]

M. F. COMPTON, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH.

We, your committee, call your attention to the following report:

First.—Every year shows an increase in the desecration of the Sabbath.

Second.—The American Sabbath is fast becoming a day for popular amusements.

These things being true,

Resolved, That we, as preachers of the West Virginia Conference, put forth every effort to instruct our people concerning the high handed desecration of our sacred day.

L. E. LESLIE, Chairman.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

We recognize with gratitude the growing efficiency of our Epworth League work.

We pledge support to the resolutions of the State Epworth League convention. That the League Chapters shall contribute to the Twentieth Century Thank Offering \$10,000.00 for the purpose of building a gymnasium at the Conference Seminary.

We heartily endorse the forward movement for Missions in the Epworth League. To promote this work we recommend the appointment of a missionary committee by the State and District Leagues, and that a Missionary Department be organized in every local Chapter as provided in the Missionary Spoke of the Epworth Wheel. We nominate as members of the Board of Control of the State Epworth League S. K. Arbuthnot, B. B. Evans, H. C. Howard.

S. J. MILLER, Chairman.

W. G. LOYD, Secretary.

PARSONAGE AND FURNITURE.

We find one hundred and thirty-four pastoral charges have parsonages, and eighty-two charges without a home for the pastor, and we learn that there are but a small number of parsonages furnished with suitable furnishings.

Resolved, That as pastors of the West Virginia Conference, we use our best efforts to build and furnish parsonages wherever needed.

P. D. FISHER, Chairman.

COMMITTEE ON PERIODICALS AND BOOKS.

We greatly rejoice in the fact of the extensive influence exerted by the Methodist press in this country in behalf of morality, truth, and Christianity. It is with pleasure we note the increase of the *Pittsburg Christian Advocate* during the past year, and hope for an increase during the coming year. The *Methodist Episcopal Times* has become recognized as a valuable aid in carrying on the work of the church in the West Virginia Conference and is a welcome visitor to thousands of the homes of our people. There are many important features of our work pressing for special attention immediately, the success of which depends very largely upon the united and concerted action of the entire Conference.

As the Conference is more intimately associated officially with the interests of the paper than ever before, and the paper promises to become a source of financial income to our Conference Claimant Fund, we pledge this enterprise our hearty support and the use of all honorable means to increase its subscription list.

O. C. PHILLIPS, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

We congratulate the Conference on an increase of, \$761 over last year in our missionary offering, and of over \$80,000 for the fiscal year in the contributions for this work by the M. E. church. To our Bishops and General Secretaries we pledge fidelity to our missionary interests.

We call the attention of the Conference to the "Ecumenical Conference on Foreign Missions" to be held in the city of New York, commencing April 21, 1900.

S. V. LEECH, Secretary.

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDING ELDERS' ACCOUNTS.

We, your Committee on Presiding Elders' Accounts, have examined each of the nine Presiding Elder's accounts, and find them to be correct.

H. K. RIFFE, Chairman.

D. F. CARDER, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee on Temperance, desire to emphasize and heartily endorse all the utterances of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in regard to the manufacture, sale and use of intoxicating liquors, especially the Declaration of Principals, that total abstinence from intoxicating beverages is the duty of every individual.

We condemn the license feature by which money is accepted for the legal protection of an immoral traffic.

E. L. MEADOWS, Chairman.

D. A. FRIEND, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY THANK OFFERING COMMITTEE.

We are nearing the close of the most remarkable century of the world's history. In the Methodist Episcopal Church the leaders—our Bishops—have sounded the call for higher spiritual living and the conversion of two millions of souls and a thank offering for the twentieth century of twenty millions of dollars. The West Virginia Conference, ever loyal to our church, desires to share in the blessings of this glorious undertaking. We earnestly commend the appeal of the Board of Trustees of the Conference Seminary and our Presiding Elders in the call for \$125,000 to be used in paying off the \$20,000 debt and expending \$5,000 on improvements and the remaining \$100,000 to be used as an endowment fund.

We recommend the following to be members of the Twentieth Century Thank Offering Commission of the West Virginia Conference, to carry out the above recommendations and to devise ways and means to make our part of the thank offering the grand success we feel it will be: Buckhannon District, S. P. Crummett, A. Mick, Perry Boggess; Charleston District, D. S. Hammond, J. W. Engle, Judge H. C. McWhorter; Clarksburg District, D. L. Ash, J. H. Hess, Prof. C. W. Evans; Huntington District, J. W. Bedford, H. Scott, W. H. Newcomb, Jr.; Morgantown District, S. J. Cotton, F. N. Lynch, Will Hendrickson, Dr. A. R. Warden, George C. Baker; New River District, A. S. Arnett, R. G. Backus, W. L. Barze; Oakland District, L. W. Roberts, S. K. Arbuthnot, Dr. J. M. King; Parkersburg District, A. Cameron, D. A. Denton,

C. W. Archbold; Wheeling District, A. Moore, J. L. Sooy, C. B. Graham, H. K. List, H. F. Jones, W. A. Wilson.

[Signed.]

S. L. BOYERS.

S. K. ARBUTHNOT.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH EXTENSION.

The Church Extension still has a very important mission in the West Virginia Conference. During the coming year our Conference is asked to raise \$1,800. We may receive by approved application \$2,500. As the amount which we receive depends upon what we raise,

Resolved, first, We use all diligence to secure the full amount of our apportionment.

E. A. DAVIS, Chairman.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FREEDMAN'S AID AND SOUTHERN EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.

Recognizing the importance of the work of the Freedman's Aid and the Southern Educational Society, and believing the West Virginia Conference is not measuring up to its full ability in this work, therefore be it

Resolved, First, That we will thoroughly acquaint ourselves with the facts in connection with this society.

Second, That we, as a Conference, for the coming year take as our motto: "Freedman's Aid collection in full for each charge."

[Signed.]

COMMITTEE.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE JOURNALS.

The Journals of Buckhannon, Charleston, Oakland and Wheeling Districts were submitted for examination by their respective Secretaries, N. L. G. Anderson, S. J. Miller, D. Westfall and D. L. Ash, and they are neatly and, so far as your committee is able to determine, correctly kept.

A. A. KELLEY, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BIBLE CAUSE.

Be it resolved:

First, That we, as far as possible, place in every house a copy of the Holy Word of God.

Second, That we keep before the minds of the people whom we serve the need of a more careful study of its blessed doctrines.

Third, That we endorse the appointment of Dr. Pearson as the agent of the society.

JOHN BOLTON, Chairman.

N. L. BAUMGARDNER, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE CHURCH.

As members of the West Virginia Conference we desire to record our gratitude to God for the general prosperity of American Methodism. We also rejoice that as our denomination for the past one hundred and fifteen years has had world-wide celebrity for patriotism, still remains loyal to our country and its flag. And we, as a Conference of Methodist Episcopal pastors, pledge to President McKinley and his cabinet our sympathy and prayers in their endeavors to preserve the honor of our national flag. We also desire, as a Conference, to place on record our protest against the admission into Congress of the polygamist, Brigham H. Roberts, of Utah. We earnestly request the Senators and Representatives of West Virginia to employ all fair methods to secure the expulsion of the said Brigham H. Roberts from the House of Representatives. [Signed.]

S. K. ARBUTHNOT,

A. B. RIKER,

S. V. LEECH.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EPISCOPAL FUND.

Your committee finds that many of the charges have not contributed anything to this fund, so that there occurs a deficiency of \$172 out of an apportionment of \$1,088. We urge all our pastors to take this collection in accordance with the provisions of the Discipline.

S. E. JONES, Secretary.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, First, That we have enjoyed the visit of Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, D. D., LL.D., to the West Virginia Conference, and appreciate his fair and impartial rulings as a presiding officer.

We appreciate the services of D. L. Ash, the Secretary, and his assistants, in their painstaking work.

We express our thanks to F. S. Townsend, pastor of First Church;

Geo. W. Kepler, pastor of Second Church, Parkersburg; to A. Cameron, Presiding Elder of Parkersburg District; to the generous Laymen of the city, to the citizens of Parkersburg, for their hospitable entertainment.

Second, We hereby express our thanks to the railroads, and to the press of the city, for special favors, and to Dr. S. V. Leech for his able and instructive lecture; to the Protestant Episcopal Church, to the M. E. Church, South, and to the city officers for the use of their buildings.

F. N. LYNCH, Chairman.

S. J. Miller, Secretary.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRACTS.

We recognize in the Sunday School one of the greatest factors in the religious education of the age, therefore great care should be exercised in the selection of teachers who are to be responsible for the instruction of the youth in religious matters.

We respectfully recommend and urge our pastors and Presiding Elder to use all honorable means in placing our own literature in the hands of our schools.

We also recommend the establishment of the Home Department wherever practical.

D. W. RUBLE, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE PERMANENT TRUST FUND ASSOCIATION.

The Permanent Trust Fund Association respectfully reports that the "permanent fund" now amounts to the sum of \$7,518.30; that the interest for the current year applicable for distribution is \$372.75, a check for which amount accompanies this report.

A. J. CLARK, President.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS.

Report of the Board of Stewards for the year ending October 2, 1899:	
Dividends of the Book Concern.....	\$1,027 00
Receipts from collections.....	2,425 13
Receipts from Permanent Fund.....	372 75
Receipts from Chartered Fund.....	22 00
40 per cent. of Minister's 1 per cent.....	222 12
Total	<u>\$4,069 00</u>

Amount necessary to meet all claims.....	9,210 00
Disbursements	4,069 00
To Widow Richmond	\$ 75 00
“ “ Irwin	50 00
“ “ Weaver	70 00
“ “ Parriott	75 00
“ “ Trippett	25 00
“ “ Heaston	50 00
“ “ Steele	25 00
“ “ Laughlin	60 00
“ “ Kurtz	40 00
“ “ Orwen	25 00
“ “ Crossfield	25 00
“ “ Rexroad	110 00
“ “ Stewart	75 00
“ “ Justice	25 00
“ “ Hutchens	35 00
“ “ Boylen	70 00
To Rev. Eichelberger's daughter	20 00
“ “ John Birkett	40 00
“ “ J. T. Carroll.....	110 00
“ “ J. J. Doliver.....	25 00
“ “ J. L. Clark.....	120 00
“ “ John Conwell	146 00
“ “ B. Ison	120 00
“ “ Gideon Martin	165 00
“ “ G. W. Matheney	50 00
“ “ Moore McNeil	50 00
“ “ Vanhinden Sanford	50 00
“ “ R. S. Welch.....	90 00
“ “ Wm. Wriston	55 00
“ “ J. T. Davis	60 00
“ “ A. F. Morrison	60 00
“ “ J. A. Hammond	55 00
“ “ W. H. Shaw	70 00
“ “ B. F. Rodgers	60 00
“ “ W. D. Carrico	90 00

To Widow W. J. Sharpes	60 00
" " W. W. Kelly	60 00
" " J. B. Feather	100 00
" " U. Pribble	45 00
" " F. M. Malcolm	110 00
" " W. W. Workman	70 00
" " A. J. Lyda	140 00
" " L. D. Bryan	45 00
" " F. G. W. Ford	60 00
" " W. C. Rodgers	125 00
" " T. R. Faulkner	40 00
" " Thos. Cotton	60 00
" " E. C. Woodruff	50 00
" " L. N. Coffield	50 00
" " S. M. Day	60 00
" " E. R. Skidmore	50 00
" " Spencer King	170 00
" " W. E. Lovett	70 00
" " C. W. Stephen	30 00
" " J. C. Morris	60 00
" " J. F. McClure	25 00
" " A. A. Nichols	50 00
" " D. H. K. Dix	108 00
" " A. J. L. Curtis	20 00
To Widow Mercer	25 00
" " Darlington	75 00
" " Stevens	50 00

F. H. J. KING, President.

L. S. Grose, Secretary.

MISSIONARY APPROPRIATION BY CHARGES.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

Barbour	\$ 60.00	East Buckhannon	\$ 50.00
Cleveland	40.00	Montrose	40.00
Cowan	50.00	Monroe	65.70.00
Copen	50.00	Newlon	35.00
		Total	\$ 390.00

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

Arnoldsburg	\$ 30.00	Raymond City	\$ 35.00
Bowman	50.00	Ravenswood	50.00
Clendennin	40.00	Reedy	44.00
Elmwood	40.00	Riverside	100.00
Goldtown	30.00	Spencer	50.00
Graham's Mines.....	40.00	Walton	30.00
Malden	45.00	West Charleston	40.00
Leon	40.00	Cicerone	30.00
		Total	\$ 694.00

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

Barnesville	\$ 50.00	Shinnston	\$ 60.00
Marion	40.00	Smithton	50.00
Pine Grove	50.00	Wyatt	60.00
		Total	\$ 310.00

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

Ashton	\$ 30.00	Kenova	\$ 75.00
Cassville	25.00	Ruth	50.00
Coplyville	40.00	St. Albans.....	50.00
Dingess	100.00	Sheridan	30.00
Dunlow	50.00	Thacker	100.00
Grifthville	30.00	Williamson	100.00
Egypt	50.00	Winfield	20.00
Fairfield	40.00	Peytona	20.00
Hurricane	58.00	Matewan	100.00
Kanawha City.....	70.00	Nelson	25.00
		Total	\$1,073.00

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

Arnettville	\$ 40.00	Tunnelton	\$ 40.00
Littleton	96.00	Halleck	25.00
Masontown	25.00		
		Total	\$ 226.00

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

Athens	\$ 40.00	Logan	\$ 40.00
Birch River	45.00	Matville	40.00
Boon	45.00	Nicholas	40.00
Brooklyn	45.00	Norwood	50.00
Claremont	45.00	New Raleigh	40.00
Clay	45.00	Spring Dale	41.00
Flat Top	50.00	Tate Creek	30.00
Gilbert	40.00	Norwood	50.00
Oceana	40.00	Raleigh	50.00
Hewitt	40.00	District	50.00
Montgomery	40.00		
		Total	\$ 856.00 ^{856.00}

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

Albrights	\$ 45.00	Etam	\$ 50.00
Brandonville	70.00	Parsons	55.00
Cranesville	70.00	Horton	150.00
		Total	\$ 440.00

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

Parkersburg, 2d Church...	\$ 75.00	Newark	\$ 25 ³⁰ .00
Cario	50.00	Pleasants	25.00
Pennsboro	50.00	Elizabeth	55.00
South Parkersburg	125.00		
		Total	\$ 410.00

WHEELING DISTRICT.

McMechen.....\$36.00

RECAPITULATION.

Buckhannon District.....	\$ 390.00	New River District.....	\$ 856 ⁸⁵⁶ .00
Charleston District.....	694.00	Oakland District.....	440.00
Clarksburg District.....	310.00	Parkersburg District.....	410.00
Huntington District.....	1,073.00	Wheeling District.....	36.00
Morgantown District.....	226.00		
		Total	\$4,435.00

J. H. HESS, Chairman.

J. ENGLE, Secretary.

Approved: CYRUS D. FOSS.

APPORTIONMENT OF THE MISSIONARY COLLECTION BY DISTRICT.

Buckhannon	\$ 2,400.00	New River	\$ 900.00
Charleston	1,700.00	Oakland	1,500.00
Clarksburg	1,800.00	Parkersburg	2,500.00
Huntington.....	1,200.00	Wheeling.....	3,300.00
Morgantown	2,300.00		
		Total	\$17,650.00

CHURCH EXTENSION.

Buckhannon	\$ 245.00	New River	\$ 90.00
Charleston	175.00	Oakland	155.00
Clarksburg	185.00	Parkersburg	255.00
Huntington	125.00	Wheeling.....	335.00
Morgantown	235.00		
		Total	\$1,800.00

FREEDMAN'S AID AND SOUTHERN EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.

Buckhannon	\$ 162.00	New River	\$ 60.00
Charleston	114.00	Oakland	100.00
Clarksburg	160.00	Parkersburg	170.00
Huntington	80.00	Wheeling	222.00
Morgantown	157.00		
		Total	\$1,200.00

EPISCOPAL FUND.

Buckhannon	\$ 170.00	New River	\$ 50.00
Charleston	115.00	Oakland	105.00
Clarksburg	175.00	Parkersburg	196.00
Huntington	80.00	Wheeling	265.00
Morgantown	185.00		
		Total	\$1,400.00

BOARD OF CHURCH LOCATION.

Buckhannon.—T. W. Chidester, J. W. Hevener, J. M. Chidester.
 Charleston.—Geo. E. Morris, H. C. McWhorter, L. A. Martin.

Clarksburg.—J. H. Hess, F. B. Chariton, H. H. Burns.
Huntington.—B. B. Evans, J. M. Clouston, R. J. Roberts.
Morgantown.—J. J. White, H. C. Compton, Geo. A. Walls.
Oakland.—J. H. Cook, J. A. Hayden, J. H. Rederhefer.
Parkersburg.—H. B. Bowden, Levi Skidmore, J. A. Kinnard.
Wheeling.—C. B. Graham, A. J. Clark, H. F. Jones.

DISTRICT MISSIONARY SECRETARIES.

Buckhannon District.—L. E. Resseger.
Charleston District.—J. S. Miller.
Clarksburg District.—F. B. Davis.
Huntington District.—H. Scott.
Morgantown District.—J. Engle.
New River District.—J. W. Carroll.
Oakland District.—J. L. B. Jones.
Parkersburg District.—G. W. Kepler.
Wheeling District.—John Beddow.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

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Poem by Rev. Jas. L. Clark, D. D., Tarantum, Pa.

This poem was recited by James L. Clark, D. D., who is now 85 years of age, when his character was passed upon, and by a vote of the Conference the Secretary was requested to publish it in this Journal.

"MY DREAM THAT WAS NOT ALL A DREAM."

1. 'Twas on a calm and peaceful night,
The full orb'd moon was high,
And scattered down her silvery light,
As she was passing by.
The stars shed many a twinkling ray,
Of gladness o'er the gloom;
To cheer the trav'ler on his way,
And guide him to his home.
2. I sat me down beneath a tree,
To gaze upon the scene,
Till silent slumber crept o'er me,
And left me in a dream.
I thought I was released
From this dull clod of clay,
To seek those regions of the bless'd,
Who shine in endless day.
3. Swift as a winged arrow sped,
From strong and powerful bow,
Upward with joy my spirit fled,
Far from this world of woe.
Up, upward still with eager haste,
I clapped my new fledged wings;
Far, far beneath left suns and stars,
And all inferior things.
4. On, onward still I urged my way,
Through scenes both rare and new;
Nor stopped to look or to delay,
Till heaven appeared in view.
I stood upon its peaceful shore
And gazed in sweet surprise;
On scenes of happiness and joy
That met my ravished eyes.

5. I saw the plains of heavenly light,
Extending far and wide;
Where shady groves and trees of life
Grow by the river side;
I saw the new Jerusalem,
So beauteous to behold;
Its walls were laid with brilliant gems,
Its streets were paved with gold.
6. I saw the Lamb upon his throne,
And O, the blissful sight,
With his sweet smiles the city shone,
In everlasting light.
I saw the saints all clad in white,
As round the throne they stood;
And heard them sing the praise of Him
Who washed them in His blood.
7. They sang upon the highest key,
(And Seraphs sang below,)
While all their bosoms thrilled with joy,
That Seraphs never knew.
I heard them tune their golden harps,
And try their choicest strains,
While the sweet melodies they made
Filled all the heavenly plains.
8. I thought I'd join their anthems, too,
And make as sweet a sound;
I tried to raise my voice as high,
But woke on earthly ground.
The moon was shining through the tree,
The stars were smiling yet,
A summer's breeze was fanning me,
My locks with dew were wet.
9. Was it a dream? Not all a dream,
I soon shall realize,
My soul shall burst this clod of clay,
And soar above the skies;
Shall join the holy blood-washed throng
In each ecstatic lay,
And sing the everlasting song,
In realms of heavenly day.

JAMES L. CLARK.

MINUTES
OF THE
MEETING OF THE LAY ELECTORAL CONFERENCE

HELD AT

Parkersburg, September 30, 1899.

The meeting was called to order at 9 o'clock a. m., by Judge B. D. McGinnis. A. J. Clark, of Wheeling, was appointed temporary chairman and Frank B. Trotter, of Buckhannon, temporary secretary.

On motion that each district appoint a member on the Committees on Resolutions and Credentials, a recess of five minutes was taken in order to give the districts time to make these appointments.

On reconvening the following committees were reported:

Buckhannon District, E. W. Squires, Resolutions; Henry Colerider, Credentials. Charleston District, A. S. Thomas, Resolutions; J. S. O'Roark, Credentials. Clarksburg District, C. W. Lynch, Resolutions; C. W. Evans, Credentials. Huntington District, J. M. Clouston, Resolutions; W. H. Newcomb, Credentials. Morgantown District, Prof. R. A. Armstrong, Resolutions; Dr. A. R. Warden, Credentials. New River District, H. Lewis, Resolutions; F. M. Harroh, Credentials. Oakland District, J. A. Hayden, Resolutions; Geo. E. Bishoff, Credentials. Parkersburg District, J. A. Bryan, Resolutions; C. M. Haddox, Credentials. Wheeling District, Chas. Duerr, Resolutions; A. McCulloch, Credentials.

After the appointment of these committees, on motion of C. W. Lynch, seconded by the different districts, the temporary organization was made permanent, after which the Conference was formally opened

with prayer by J. A. Bryan. On motion a recess of thirty minutes was taken in order to allow the Committee on Credentials to meet and examine the credentials of the different members, and the following report was rendered:

To the Lay Electoral Conference of West Virginia Conference.

Brethren: We, your Committee on Credentials, beg to report that we favor that all persons presenting authority as delegates from their Presiding Elder or Presiding Elder, pro tem., be duly constituted members of this Conference and entitled to take part in its proceedings.

We find the following properly qualified as members:

Buckhannon District.—F. B. Trotter, J. S. Douglass, B. F. Conrad, James O'Neal, H. F. Hughes, C. W. Shomo, G. N. Day, Benj. Hamrick, J. W. Hathaway, J. B. Fowler, R. B. Rexroad, J. W. Miles, A. N. Watson, S. M. Steele, J. Vaughn, J. C. Harrold, Henry Colerider, Jacob Stealey, E. W. Squires.

Charleston District.—S. S. Ball, W. E. Ruttencutter, C. C. Kelley, A. J. Loyd, A. J. Thomas, Eli Rogers, Elmer E. Cross, H. S. McCulty, Peter Sillman, C. F. Morris, J. S. O'Roark, A. S. Thomas, William White, A. J. Smith, E. J. Robinson, A. W. Bunker.

Clarksburg District.—N. L. Fitzhugh, A. S. Kennedy, C. W. Lynch, C. W. Evans, Thos. A. Atha, A. F. Hamilton, W. N. Edgell, H. H. Burnes, T. B. Hanes, M. McWhorter, L. A. Benedum, W. T. Walters, Geo. W. Williams, P. B. McLain, C. A. Lawson, G. D. Fittro, J. W. Hess, Jefferson Robinson.

Huntington District.—W. H. Newcomb, Jr., F. Hagar, Sanford Crum, B. N. McClure, A. L. Cathers, J. M. Clouston, B. D. McGinnis, G. A. Adkins, A. J. Barker, F. L. Gary, D. W. Saxton, P. G. Minier, J. L. Moses, R. J. Roberts, J. B. Browning, Geo. J. Hartman.

Morgantown District.—A. R. Warden, W. F. Scott, T. N. Swisher, R. A. Armstrong, J. W. Engle, C. M. Henry, A. E. Clovis, J. E. Hagans, J. W. Sanders, W. I. Cox.

New River District.—Hiram Lewis, A. M. Rogers, W. H. Randin, A. D. Legg, John D. Groves, S. M. McKinney, A. B. Morrison, M. T. Harroh, E. S. Dickens, I. R. Farrell, C. N. Snodgrass, Geo. W. Meador, J. W. Geho.

Oakland District.—J. M. Davis, James M. Hayden, L. W. Hardesty,

S. B. Lee, J. M. Durst, J. T. Dunlap, J. R. Loughery, Geo. E. Bishop, O. Brininger, J. N. Mays.

Parkersburg District.—J. W. Robinson, C. M. Haddox, J. L. Deem, M. McPherson, A. C. Farnsworth, M. T. Smith, B. F. Wells, J. A. Kinard, J. E. Morgan, Levi Skidmore, G. W. Taggart, K. S. Boreman, R. A. Martin, Jacob Clammer, Gideon Price, J. A. Bryan, A. C. Holmes, W. L. Cox, B. N. Crooks, A. Hall, I. N. Gold.

Wheeling District.—W. R. Gorby, Fred Lawrence, Abraham McColloch, A. J. Clark, J. C. Bardall, J. L. Kinghorn, J. W. Lineberger, W. O. Alexander, J. L. Robinson, M. B. Helms, C. W. Duerr, John Cardona, Jas. L. Bonar, O. L. Conner, Jas. S. Barton, Hiram Carney.

Respectfully submitted,

A. R. WARDEN, Chairman.

C. W. EVANS, Secretary.

On motion of Frank B. Trotter, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the elections be proceeded with in the following order: First, two regular delegates; second, three provisional delegates; third, two alternates for the regular delegates; fourth, three alternates for the provisionals.

On motion, the following brethren were appointed as tellers: C. W. Evans, J. B. Fowler, W. O. Alexander and J. A. Bryan.

On motion, nomination of candidates for delegates to the General Conference were called and, and the following were named: R. A. Armstrong, Sam. V. Woods, C. W. Lynch, W. G. Brown, T. P. Jacobs, Jas. H. Furbee, A. R. Warden, A. J. Clark, W. B. Mathews, M. A. Kendall, J. M. Davis, C. W. Archbold and B. D. McGinnis.

After nominations were declared closed the Conference proceeded to ballot, and elected as delegates R. A. Armstrong and M. A. Kendall.

Nominations were then called for, for provisional delegates, and the following persons were named: W. B. Mathews, F. B. Trotter, W. E. Ruttencutter, A. J. Clark, J. B. Fowler, C. W. Lynch, C. W. Archbold, Sam. V. Woods, W. G. Brown and A. R. Warden.

From this number W. B. Mathews, C. W. Archbold and A. J. Clark were elected as provisional delegates.

The following were then nominated for alternates for the regular delegates: C. W. Evans, F. B. Trotter, J. B. Fowler, T. P. Jacobs and

W. G. Brown, from which number F. B. Trotter and W. G. Brown were elected.

Nominations were then called for, for provisional alternates, and the following were named: A. S. Thomas, J. M. Davis, Sam. V. Woods, T. W. Taggart, James H. Furbee and P. G. Minier, from which number J. M. Davis, Sam V. Woods and James H. Furbee were elected.

On motion it was ordered that the alternates shall serve in the order of their election.

READING AND ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, the members of the Lay Electoral Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of West Virginia, in convention assembled, do make and publish the following resolutions:

That the thanks and fraternal greetings of this convention, representing 55,000 Methodists, are extended to our ministerial brethren assembled in this city in annual Conference, and that upon them and their great work we invoke heaven's choicest blessing.

That our thanks are extended to the hospitable people of Parkersburg who have received us into their homes and provided so generously for our comfort during the session of the Conference.

That we congratulate the West Virginia Methodists on the great progress which our beloved church has made in the last four years, and for the glorious outlook which is ours as the morning of the twentieth century is dawning upon us; and we hereby pledge our most earnest endeavor to our ministerial brethren in the great work of helping men to a better life.

That we again ask the General Conference to enlarge the rights and privileges of the laity of the church, and we hereby instruct our delegates to that end.

That we reaffirm our allegiance to and our large faith in the great Methodist Church, a church whose mission at the first was to open wide the Bible to the people and to change a cold formalism into a living faith; a church which has not only gathered into its folds thousands of men and women eager for that clear vision which the old church denied them, but which has so influenced other churches that they, too, demand a living faith among their members; a church that tries most faithfully to

carry out the Master's injunction, "Go ye into all the world and preach my gospel."

That, whereas the saloon is the very pit of death to our young manhood and the worst enemy to the coming of the Kingdom of God among men, we reaffirm the declaration of the General Conference and Bishops of our church that "the liquor traffic cannot be licensed without sin," and declare that the standard of Methodism must never be lowered on this question, and that we should sustain and enforce this by our lives and votes.

That we recognize the worth and influence of *The Methodist Episcopal Times*, and recommend it most heartily to our Methodist brethren throughout the West Virginia Conference.

Whereas, the growth of the West Virginia Conference Seminary in efficiency and influence makes it worthy of our highest commendation, we earnestly recommend it to the patronage of our people.

That we note with satisfaction the growth in members and influence of the Epworth League, the official young peoples' society of our church; that we recognize the good work this society is doing, viz., promoting among our young people a more intelligent and vital piety, by inciting to a higher standard of Christian life and experience, by inculcating church loyalty, and by ministering to the social, intellectual and moral needs of the young people.

That we earnestly commend our own Conference League to our laymen throughout the church, that we recommend the organization of a chapter at every appointment, and that we pledge our prayers, sympathy and hearty co-operation in advancing the interests, increasing the usefulness and strengthening the work of the organization within our borders.

We most respectfully and most earnestly call upon every Representative of the Fifty-sixth Congress to use his utmost endeavor and to exhaust all honorable means to secure the prompt expulsion of Brigham H. Roberts, of Utah, from the House of Representatives, in accordance with the provision of the National Constitution in Article I, Section 5, Paragraph 2, which reads as follows: "Each house (of Congress) may determine the rules of its proceedings, punish its members for disorderly behavior, and, with the concurrence of two-thirds expel a member."

That we regard the Children's Home Society of West Virginia as an organization having a most important and beneficent mission, and do, therefore, endorse its work and recommend it to our people for whatever encouragement and financial support they may be able to give it.

C. W. LYNCH, Chairman.

JAS. A. BRYAN, Secretary.

J. M. CLOUSTON.

E. W. SQUIRES.

ROBT. A. ARMSTRONG.

A. S. THOMAS.

CHAS. W. DUERR.

H. LEWIS.

JAMES A. HAYDEN.

After the reading and adoption of the minutes, the Conference adjourned sine die.

[Signed.]

A. J. CLARK, Chairman.

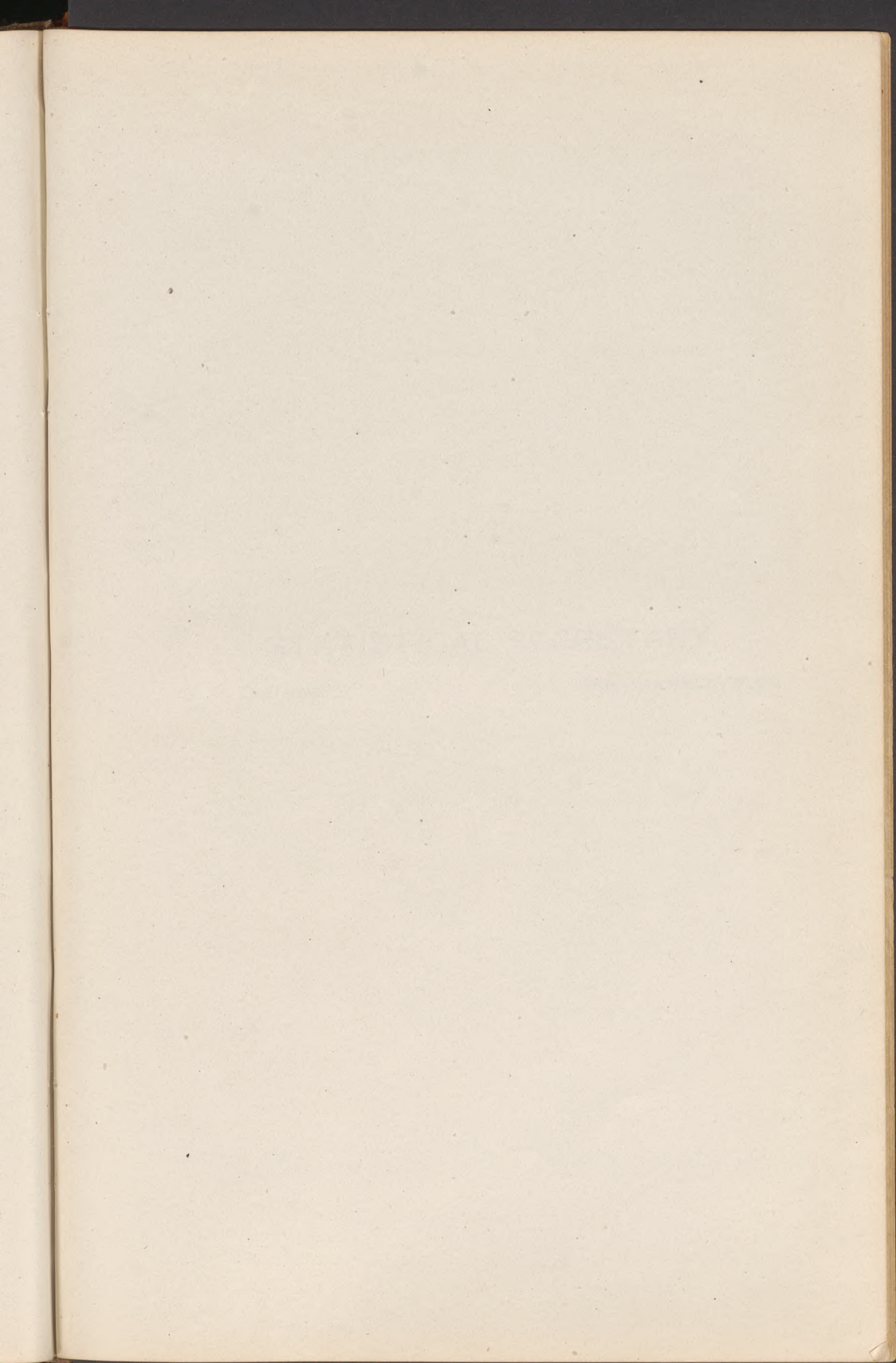
FRANK B. TROTTER, Secretary.

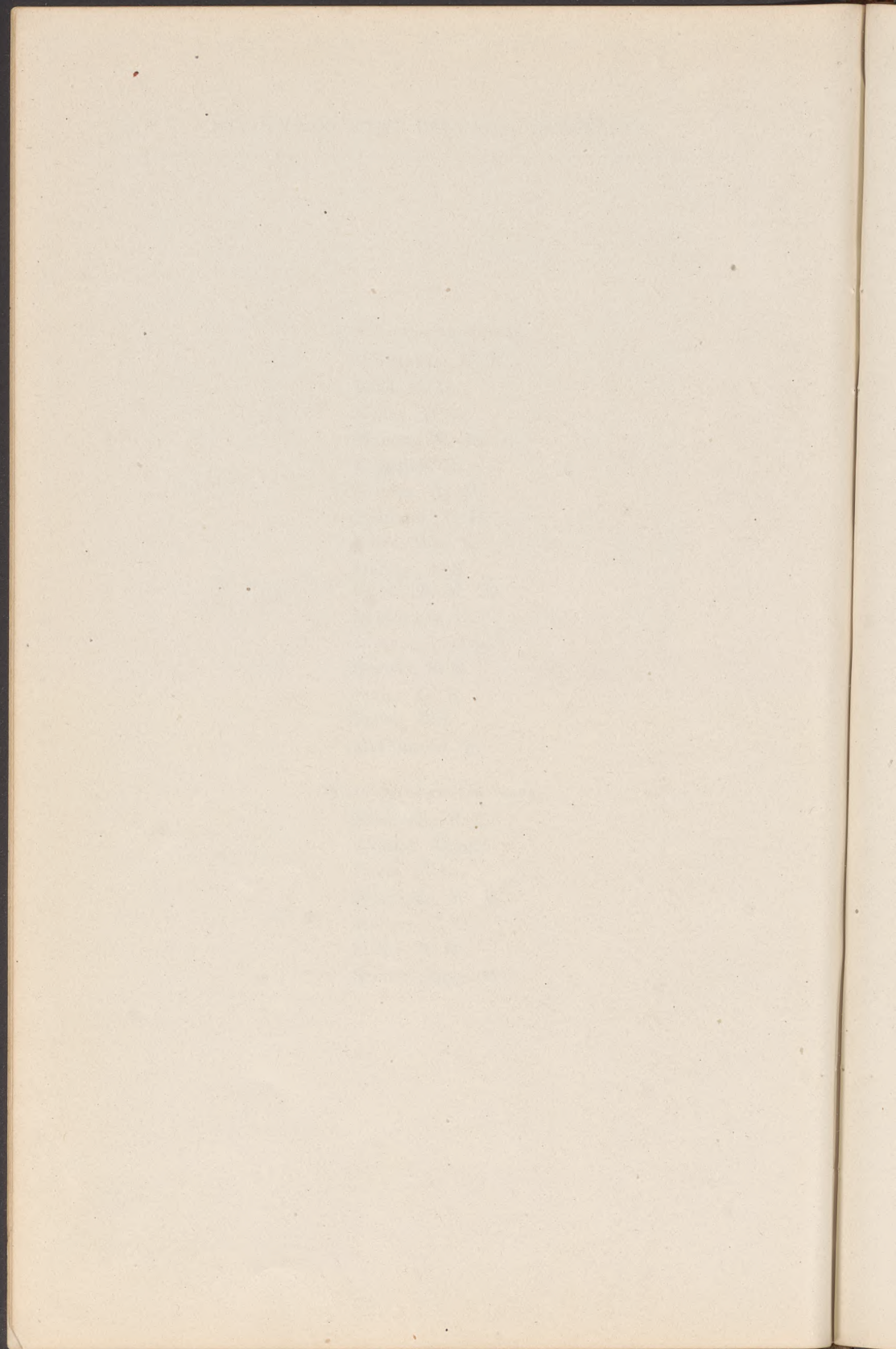
IN STUDIES OF THIRD YEAR.

Williamson, G. R.
Reed, M. D.
Kelley, O. A.
Mahon, W. H.
Kingsley, H. V.
Grimes, A. M.
Shannon, T. H.
Barze, Wm. L.
Harvey, J. S.
Goodrich, M. E.
Balsley, G. U.
Bowers, Larkin.
Brooks, B. B.
Fuller, G. E.
Fallen, Wm.
McClure, J. F.

IN STUDIES OF FOURTH YEAR.

Musgrave, P. C.
Westfall, Daniel.
Davis, F. B.
Workman, W. W.
Molony, C. H.
Fisher, P. D.
Kinder, James W.





STATISTICAL SECRETARY,

S. P. CRUMMETT, - - - - - BUCKHANNON, W. VA.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'P.				BAPT'MS.		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers.....	No. of full members.....	No. of local preachers.....	No. of deaths.....	No. of children baptized..	No. of adults baptized..	No. of schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.....	Paid on old indebtedness on church property.....	Present indebtedness on church property.....
Addison.....	1	348		2			5	45	300	6	\$ 5900	1	\$ 890	\$ 50	\$ 30	\$ 219
Auburn.....	1	196	1	4		6	4	38	315	4	3600					
Barbour.....	5	221	1	3		19	4	31	210	5	3000			15		
Belington.....	1	271		5	1	5	4	25	275	4	9000				800	994
Beverly.....		130	2				2	16	175	2	2900	1	1000			400
Buckhannon.....	7	369	1	1			1	24	300	1	4500	1	1500			350
Buckhannon Circuit.....	15	428	1	5	1		8	60	250	8	8400	1		10		
Camden.....	57	313		3	4	27	9	84	378	6	4200	1	400	100	120	118
Cleveland.....	9	114		3	5	3	3	23	148	2	1500	1	200		37	20
Cowan.....	16	132	1	1			5	30	175	2	2200	1	500	60	20	435
Cutlipville.....		173	3	1	2	11	8	72	453	2	2000			155	167	
Duffy.....	8	302		4	8	10	5	40	300	5 3/4	4500	1	450	950		275
East Buckhannon.....	22	286	1	2	4	2	7	48	296	6	3450			27	40	
Elkins.....		145					1	13	200	1	3200					
Flatwoods.....	20	221	1	3		11	6	48	334	5	5500	1	600			695
Freemansburg.....	15	385	4	2	6	21	8	51	285	7	5000	1	800	25		
Frenchton.....	21	374	2	3		1	5	59	323	6	4900	1	500	700		
Glenville.....	12	347	1	3		8	4	36	230	6	6500	1	700	300	225	200
Holly Grove.....	13	347	2	2		4	6	54	254	8	6800	1	750	1750	21	350
Mingo.....	9	55										1	500			
Monroe.....	2	111		3	1	4	1	9	40	4	2300			2000		
Montrose.....	26	207	2	1	2	25	6	56	324	3	2500	1	500	550		
Newton.....	20	200		1	1	7	4	20	125	4	3800	1	375		16	115
Philippi.....	21	509		7	1	18	3	23	185	3	5000	1	1500	158		45
South Buckhannon.....	6	441		2		5	6	50	397	6	4200			225		
Sutton.....	26	229			4	14	5	54	321	4	11200	1	1000		621	876
Ten Mile.....	50	340	2	5	2	4	6	48	284	6	4540	1	600	40	195	
Troy.....	11	230					5	40	200	5	3500	1	1000			
Weston.....	15	245		4	4	20	1	18	155	1	3500	1	3500	40	29	
Total.....	409	7469	25	68	46	228	130	1133	7233	122 3/4	\$127990	21	\$ 17675	\$ 7155	\$ 2321	\$ 5042

Statistics No. 3.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUP'T OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISHOPS		Total support pastors, pre siding elders and bishops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		CURRENT EXPENS'S			
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.	Am't apportioned.	Amount paid.	Am't apportioned.		Amount paid.	REC'D FROM		Total.	Church : Sexton, light, fuel, etc.	Sunday school : Lesson leaves, books, etc.
		Salary.	House rent.	Total.	Salary.	House rent.	Total.							Collections.	Other sources.			
Addison.	George E. Ward	500	50	550	363	50	413	137	50	50	6	3	466	8	50	37		
Auburn.	W. G. Loyd,	300	.....	300	275	.....	275	25	40	40	4	4	319	5	90	40		
Barbour.	S. T. Westfall, sup.....	200	.....	200	159	.....	150	50	30	30	3	2	182	2	20	14		
Belington.	P. C. Mays.....	420	.....	420	479	.....	479	.....	45	45	4	2	526	13	70	51		
Beverly.	G. R. Williamson.....	400	100	500	368	100	468	32	50	45	6	2	515	4	36	32		
Buckhannon.	Asbury Mick.....	1100	125	1225	1100	125	1225	.....	110	110	12	12	1347	35	200	100		
Buckhannon Circuit.	F. H. J. King.....	555	50	605	550	50	580	25	85	.....	11	2	582	11	100	28		
Camden.	P. L. Bent.....	400	50	450	365	50	415	25	40	40	6	5	460	9	39	38		
Cleveland.	I. L. Marple, sup.....	170	20	190	100	20	120	70	28	22	3	1	143	1	5	12		
Cowan.	C. C. Lanhan, sup.....	265	60	325	265	60	325	.....	28	29	.....	.....	10	10	15	35		
Cutlipville.	H. H. Shaw, sup.....	107	.....	107	100	.....	100	7	22	22	2	2	124	2	10	32		
Duffy.	W. T. W. Sleeth.....	300	30	330	272	30	302	.....	36	36	4	4	342	6	40	25		
East Buckhannon.	B. F. Hill.....	300	.....	300	278	.....	278	22	36	36	4	3	317	3	30	45		
Elkins.	W. J. Holt.....	700	.....	700	400	.....	400	300	48	48	.....	.....	448	.....	.....	.....		
Flatwoods.	J. M. Grose.....	450	50	500	344	50	394	106	50	50	4	2	446	2	30	39		
Freemansburg.	J. A. Marteny.....	425	75	500	435	75	510	.....	60	60	6	6	576	18	25	51		
Frenchton.	L. E. Resseger.....	500	50	550	500	50	550	.....	65	65	6	3	618	14	23	28		
Glenville.	D. A. Friend.....	500	60	560	400	55	505	55	65	65	6	4	574	10	60	60		
Holly Grove.	O. U. Marple.....	425	50	475	402	50	452	23	40	40	5	5	497	10	42	43		
Mingo.	P. W. Shrader.....	150	30	180	100	30	130	50	26	26	3	2	158	3	.....	.....		
Monroe.	G. W. White, sup.....	200	.....	200	185	.....	185	15	25	25	2	2	212	2	4	4		
Montrose.	H. M. Strader.....	300	30	350	300	30	330	.....	32	32	4	4	366	12	12	40		
Newton.	N. L. G. Anderson, sup.....	300	50	350	287	50	337	13	38	38	5	2	377	.....	.....	.....		
Philippi.	G. S. Baggett.....	500	60	560	500	60	560	.....	56	56	6	6	622	8	70	50		
South Buckhannon.	T. W. Chidester.....	600	.....	600	585	.....	585	15	70	70	7	3	658	15	81	61		
Sutton.	James E. Bird.....	550	75	625	550	75	625	.....	75	75	8	8	708	17	69	69		
Ten Mile.	J. O. Bolton.....	400	50	450	400	50	450	.....	45	45	5	5	500	5	.....	.....		
Troy.	A. L. Ireland.....	300	50	350	220	50	270	80	45	41	5	5	316	10	10	.....		
Weston.	J. S. Robinson.....	900	180	1080	900	180	1080	.....	100	100	6	4	1184	25	170	55		
Total.		12217	1295	13512	11203	1290	12493	1088	1440	1424	143	106	14023	261	48	309	1183	1024

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Ex- tension.....	Sunday School Union..	Tract Society.....	Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society.....	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Mis- sionary Society.....	Woman's Home Mis- sionary Society.....	Total other Benevolent Collections.....	General Conference Ex- penses.....
	a. Church.....	b. Sunday school..	Total.....					a. Public educa- tional collection..	b. Children's Fund					
Addison.....	\$ 40	\$ 40	\$ 40	\$ 5	\$ 5		\$ 5	\$ 5	\$ 5	\$ 1			\$ 5	\$ 5
Auburn.....	34	6	40	1	2	1		5						3
Barbour.....	10		10	1				1						1
Belington.....	5	23	28	1			2	2	8					3
Beverly.....	17	5	22	4			4	5	10					
Buckhannon.....	91	77	168	18	2	2	15	58			6			12
Buckhannon Circuit.....	30	23	53	2	1	1	1	3		1			10	2
Camden.....	30	10	40	1	1	1	1	11						3
Cleveland.....	5		5	1	1	1	1							1
Cowan.....	40		40	6	2	2	2							4
Cutlipsville.....	6		6	2	1	1	1	1						2
Duffy.....	11	19	30	6	2	2	2	7						
East Buckhannon.....		18	18	4										
Elkins.....		3	3											
Flatwoods.....	10		10	1	1		1						25	
Freemansburg.....	25	10	35	10	2	2	2	5	5					6
Frenchton.....	120		120	9	2	2	6	2						6
Glenville.....	35	15	50	5	1	1	1	3		1			5	
Holly Grove.....	58		58	2	1	1	4	8						3
Mingo.....	12		12	2			1							2
Monroe.....	3		3	2										2
Montrose.....	50		50	2	2	2	5	15	7					3
Newlon.....	34		34	6			1							4
Philippi.....	28	6	34	4			2	4						2
South Buckhannon.....	24	3	41	1	1	1	1	20		1				4
Sutton.....	20	30	50	15	2	2	2	15	18					5
Ten Mile.....	60	5	65	2	1	1	2	5						
Troy.....	25		25	2	1	1	1	5		1				
Weston.....	5	100	105	12	2		3	45			9			
Total.....	\$ 842	\$ 353	\$ 1195	\$ 155	\$ 28	\$ 33	\$ 98	\$ 223	\$ 48	\$ 5	\$ 15	\$ 40	\$ 77	

Statistics No. 1.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'P				BAPT'M'S		S. SCHOOLS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers.....	No. of full members.....	No. of local preachers.....	No. of deaths.....	No. of children baptized..	No. of adults baptized...	No. of scholars.....	No. of schools.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.....	Paid on old indebtedness on church property....	Present indebtedness on church property.....
Arnoldsburg.....	8	193	3	1	.....	4	4	24	140	\$ 3700	1	\$ 200	\$1300	\$.....	\$.....
Charleston—State street.....	42	423	1	4	8	24	1	52	650	12000	1	3000	1700	.....	1300
Charleston—Bowman.....	10	140	1	2	.....	35	1	15	200	2200	.....	.....	100	100	.....
Charleston Circuit.....	17	149	.....	2	1	5	3	21	190	2300	1	400	.....	.....	.....
Cicerone.....	14	174	1	2	.....	31	3	17	120	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clendennen.....	13	173	1	2	.....	2	6	39	240	1600	1	1000	320	.....	90
Clifton and Mason.....	.....	250	.....	2	1	4	5	37	325	2500	1	500	50	.....	.....
Cottageville.....	6	283	1	2	5	5	6	98	358	5000	1	900	1150	.....	200
Elmwood.....	44	213	1	2	1	33	4	36	230	1300	1	175	150	.....	325
Goldtown.....	17	112	3	2	.....	2	5	35	200	1400	1	200	.....	.....	.....
Graham Mines.....	53	222	3	6	.....	15	5	40	332	2000	.....	.....	15	.....	.....
Hartford.....	11	170	1	8	.....	2	3	40	260	3000	1	850	400	50	50
Leon.....	4	120	1	.....	22	.....	2	10	65	4500	.....	.....	70	24	.....
Malden and Danaville.....	30	150	1	2	.....	6	3	23	175	800	1	400	40	.....	25
Mount Union.....	15	185	2	4	28	28	6	48	240	2500	1	150	100	.....	.....
Noble.....	.....	360	2	3	5	29	6	47	310	4500	.....	.....	100	200	.....
Point Pleasant.....	28	138	.....	3	8	23	1	14	120	5000	1	2100	700	390	800
Ravenswood.....	10	140	1	.....	12	12	1	16	100	1500	1	1500	65	.....	12
Raymond.....	33	183	2	1	1	16	6	47	325	3500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Reedy.....	15	173	1	3	.....	8	6	42	250	2500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ripley.....	.....	221	2	.....	.....	.....	7	50	350	3500	1	500	33	.....	275
Riverside.....	18	45	.....	2	5	6	3	21	177	1000	.....	.....	45	.....	.....
Spencer.....	8	108	1	1	5	.....	3	17	150	1800	1	1000	50	.....	.....
Walton.....	24	240	1	4	.....	4	5	46	300	4000	1	500	225	.....	175
West Charleston.....	3	120	2	1	.....	.....	4	20	130	1000	1	1200	.....	3	300
Total.....	422	4685	32	62	94	288	99	845	5937	\$73600	17	\$14575	\$6613	\$767	\$3552

Statistics No. 3.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUP'RT. OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISHOPS		Total support pastors, presiding elders, and bishops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		CURRENT EXPENSES.			
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies	Am't apportioned.	Amount paid.	Am't apportioned.		Amount paid.	REC'D FROM		Total.	Church: Sexton, light, fuel, etc.	Sunday school: Lesson leaves, books, etc.
		Salary.	House rent.	Total.	Salary.	House rent.	Total.							Collections.	Other sources.			
Arnoldsburg.....	J. M. Kinder.....	300	15	315	250	15	265	50	50	45	4	4	314	4	.....	4	.....	13
Charleston, State St..	M. F. Compton.....	1800	300	2100	1800	300	2100	.....	120	120	15	15	2235	40	.....	40	368	333
Charleston, Bowman..	G. E. Morris.....	500	.....	500	500	.....	500	.....	45	45	6	6	551	8	.....	8	80	50
Charleston Circuit....	W. P. Guinn.....	410	50	460	341	50	391	69	50	45	5	4	440	4	.....	4	20	8
Cicerone.....	Jno. McKendree.....	215	.....	215	168	.....	168	47	40	32	.....	.....	201	.....	.....	.....	10	4
Clendennen.....	W. H. Hammond.....	375	80	455	320	80	400	55	46	46	4	4	450	4	2	6	28	30
Clifton and Mason....	O. C. Philips.....	600	30	630	600	30	630	.....	52	52	4	4	722	8	.....	8	70	75
Cottageville.....	E. L. Meadows.....	450	100	550	450	100	550	.....	46	46	4	4	600	3	4	7	120	90
Elmwood.....	L. E. Leslie.....	225	25	250	218	25	243	7	40	40	4	4	308	6	.....	6	8	37
Goldtown.....	J. I. Carney.....	200	.....	200	150	.....	150	50	45	45	2	2	197	.....	.....	.....	20	20
Graham Mines.....	J. S. Jenkins.....	300	.....	300	260	.....	260	40	45	45	4	4	309	5	.....	5	25	32
Hartford.....	C. H. Molony.....	500	80	580	455	80	535	45	56	56	4	4	595	.....	.....	.....	85	90
Leon.....	Dell Upton.....	300	.....	300	300	.....	300	.....	40	30	.....	.....	330	.....	.....	.....	22	22
Malden and Danaville.	A. W. Chambers.....	340	60	400	287	50	337	63	50	50	.....	.....	387	.....	.....	.....	36	57
Mount Union.....	P. D. Fisher.....	400	50	450	390	50	440	10	45	45	4	2	487	3	.....	3	40	40
Noble.....	G. W. Alley.....	500	.....	500	502	.....	502	.....	65	65	5	5	572	10	.....	10	45	40
Point Pleasant.....	S. J. Miller.....	550	150	700	550	150	700	.....	57	57	6	6	763	8	6	14	105	50
Ravenswood.....	Jas. W. Engle.....	450	120	570	450	120	570	.....	45	45	4	4	619	6	.....	6	55	37
Raymond.....	Wm. H. Mahan.....	330	.....	330	336	.....	336	.....	50	50	5	5	391	2	.....	2	22	38
Reedy.....	W. T. McCutchen.....	315	.....	315	160	.....	160	155	32	32	2	2	194	1	.....	1	20	20
Ripley.....	A. J. L. Curtis.....	500	60	560	335	60	395	165	60	21	.....	.....	416	1	.....	1	60	30
Riverside.....	C. B. Mottice.....	160	.....	160	169	.....	169	.....	32	32	2	2	203	2	.....	2	15	35
Spencer.....	E. A. Davis.....	325	100	425	325	100	425	.....	45	45	4	4	474	4	.....	4	45	45
Walton.....	H. K. Riffe.....	315	50	365	280	50	330	35	50	50	4	4	384	5	.....	5	75	30
West Charleston.....	O. A. Kelly.....	300	.....	300	300	.....	300	.....	40	40	3	3	343	6	.....	3	10	20
Total.....		10660	1270	11930	9896	1260	11156	791	1246	1179	95	92	12427	139	18	148	1362	1299

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.	Sunday School Union.	Tract Society.	Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society.	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Woman's Home Missionary Society.	Total other Benevolent Collections.	General Conference Expenses.
	a. Church.	b. Sunday school.	Total.					a. Public educational collection.	b. Children's Fund					
Arnoldsburg.....	\$ 10	\$ 1	\$ 11	\$	\$	\$	\$ 1	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 1	\$	\$ 4
Charleston, State street.....	81	160	241	12	4	4	12	30	30	4	63			15
Charleston, Bowman.....	32	3	35		1	1	4	6						2
Charleston Circuit.....	12		12	1										2
Cicerone.....														
Clendennen.....	15	10	25	2	1	1	2	2						2
Clifton and Mason.....	2	3	32	2	1	1	3		5					
Cottageville.....	15	10	25	1	1	1	3		2					4
Elmwood.....	23	3	26	2	1	1	2	4		1				2
Goldtown.....	2		2				1							
Graham Mines.....	21	2	23	2				2	3					
Hartford.....	26		26	2	1	1	2	3						
Leon.....	2		2											
Malden and Danaville.....		23	23											
Mount Union.....	8		8				1		1					2
Noble.....	40		40	3			3	3	3					4
Point Pleasant.....	20	15	35	3	1	1	3	3	2	2				5
Ravenswood.....	18	12	30	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2			4
Raymond.....	7	3	10	1	1	1	2		1					2
Reedy.....	5		5											
Ripley.....	8		8						8					
Riverside.....														
Spencer.....	14	6	20	2	1	1	2	1						2
Walton.....	30		30	2			2	4						2
West Charleston.....	20	8	28	2	1	1	2	5	6	1				
Total.....	\$ 411	\$ 286	\$ 697	\$ 45	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 48	\$ 67	\$ 66	\$ 7	\$ 8	\$ 63	\$ 1	\$ 53

Statistics No. 1.

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'P.				BAPT'MS.		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers.....	No. of full members.....	No. of local preachers.....	No. of deaths	No. of children baptized.	No. of adults baptized.	No. of schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value	No. of parsonages	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages	Paid on old indebtedness on church property....	Present indebtedness on church property.....
Barnesville.....	2	170	.....	1	.....	.....	4	25	275	4	\$ 4000	1	\$ 50	\$.....	\$ 57	\$.....
Bridgeport.....	.....	295	.....	2	.....	14	4	20	200	4	4500	1	1400	.....	40	.....
Clarksburg.....	11	318	1	9	2	22	2	30	375	1	18000	1	2500	50	800	1000
Fairmont.....	14	414	4	4	.....	1	1	25	300	1	15000	1	5000	.....	.....	.....
Farmington.....	2	377	.....	7	.....	26	4	49	385	7	8500	1	1800	14	.....	29
Jarvisville.....	4	248	1	7	.....	3	5	42	267	6	3000	1	900	75	110	160
Logansport.....	13	382	.....	5	.....	12	5	26	180	5	6000	1	1000	30	10	3
Lumberport.....	5	239	1	1	.....	25	5	35	225	4	3000	1	900	.....	.....	100
Mannington.....	50	280	2	5	.....	20	1	20	150	2	25000	1	1000	7000	.....	3000
Marion.....	16	125	.....	6	.....	2	4	45	220	4	5800	1	2000	3500	.....	500
Mt. Clare.....	2	304	1	1	.....	8	5	25	180	4	6000	1	900	1800	.....	.....
Pine Grove.....	11	300	1	1	.....	4	4	20	300	4	2000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pruntytown.....	20	400	.....	2	4	8	6	44	360	6	10500	1	800	.....	493	368
Salem.....	3	284	.....	2	.....	24	5	35	250	5	5500	1	300	.....	.....	.....
Shinnston.....	2	210	1	.....	5	6	4	25	260	4	5000	.....	.....	50	.....	.....
Smithton.....	19	239	.....	3	.....	18	5	38	210	5	4000	1	500	13	20	.....
West Milford.....	2	257	.....	6	.....	4	4	28	205	4	2000	1	700	100	.....	.....
Wilsonburg.....	10	240	2	4	.....	41	3	25	290	4	4000	1	500	50	25	60
Wyatt.....	6	104	.....	2	.....	4	1	40	35	3	600	1	500	.....	.....	80
Wallace.....	9	245	.....	2	.....	14	6	57	332	4	2350	.....	.....	175	.....	.....
Total.....	201	5431	14	69	11	251	81	654	4999	81	\$124750	17	\$20750	\$12857	\$1555	5300

Statistics No. 3.

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.							SUP'T OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISH'PS		Total Support: Pastors, Pre-siding Elders and Bish-ops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		CUR' ENT EXP' NS'S.		
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid		REC'D FROM Collections.	Other sources	Total	Church: Sexton, light, fuel, etc.	Sunday school: Lesson Leaves, books, etc.
		Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	House Rent	Total											
Barnesville	L. S. Carter	300	60	360	142	60	202	158	48	31	5	3	236	4		4	28	50
Bridgeport	O. D. King	400	100	500	400	100	500		50	50			555				45	40
Clarksburg	Wm. Anderson	1200	200	1400	1204	200	1404		102	102	20	20	1526			50	175	95
Fairmont	N. B. Johnson	1000	240	1240	1000	240	1240		100	100	16	17	1357			50		150
Farmington	Cyrus Poling	525	75	600	525	75	600		70	70			670			15		82
Jarvisville	B. B. Brooks	355	75	430	325	75	400	30	60	50			452			2		20
Logansville	C. E. Feather	440	60	500	440	60	500		68	68	10	4	572			16		28
Lumberport	L. N. Coffield	376	50	426	264	50	314	112	56	43	7	4	361			16		120
Mannington	W. B. King	850	200	1050	850	200	1050		90	90	18	10	1150			20		26
Marion	W. D. Reed	320	60	380	320	60	380		48	50	5	5	435			10		30
Mount Clare	P. Z. Musgrave	450	75	525	425	75	500	25	68	61	10	6	567			15		90
Pine Grove	Wm. E. Craig	180		180	219		219		50	40	5	3	262			3		30
Pruntytown	A. D. Perry	526	50	576	424	50	474	102	60	56	3	3	533			1		35
Salem	T. G. Meredith	450	75	525	397	75	472	53	68	59	8	8	539			15		45
Shinnston	F. B. Davis	425	50	475	425	50	475		50	50	5	5	530			15		30
Smithton	Theo. McCoy	350	36	386	317	36	353	33	50	50	5	4	407			5		100
West Milford	M. W. Rider	450	75	525	385	75	460	65	68	65	10	8	533			9		24
Wilsonburg	A. D. Garrett	400	50	450	355	50	405	45	48	48			453			1		30
Wyatt	J. F. Chenoweth	200	35	235	200	35	235		48	48			284			1		25
Wallace	D. B. Orr	400		400	342		342	58	48	42	5	5	389			4		34
Total		9597	1566	11163	8959	1566	10525	681	1250	1173	147	113	11811	258	23	281	1260	1279

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

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MINUTES OF WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.....	Sunday School Union..	Tract Society.....	Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.....	Woman's Home Missionary Society.....	Total other Benevolent Collections.....	General Conference Expenses.....
	a. Church.....	b. Sunday School.	Total.....					a. Public educational collection..	b. Children's Fund					
Barnesville.....	\$	6	2	\$	12	\$	1	4	\$	1			\$	10
Bridgeport.....	10	2	12	3	5	1	5	5						10
Clarksburg.....	124	36	160	25	1	1	12	60						10
Fairmont.....	76	84	160	2	1	1	2	8						7
Farmington.....	80	23	103	1				4						
Jarvisville.....	10		10	2				2						
Logansport.....	30		30	4	1	1	2	11		1				4
Lumberport.....	10	25	35	4	1	1	2	6		1				3
Mannington.....	115	10	125	2	1	1	2	10				150		5
Marion.....	25	25	50	5	2	2	6	15		4				5
Mount Clare.....	59		59	5	1	1	6		4					5
Pine Grove.....	14		14	3	1	1		15		6				2
Pruntytown.....	15	5	20	1	1									1
Salem.....	25	35	60	6	2	2	10	12	29	1			5	8
Shinnston.....	50		50	5	3	3								5
Smithton.....		15	15	95	2	2	6							5
West Milford.....	20	25	45	4	1	1	5		6					1
Wilsonburg.....	5	5	10	1		1		3			1			5
Wyatt.....	1	1	2					5						1
Wallace.....	22	3	25	2	1	1	2	15	8	1			4	3
Total.....	\$ 688	\$ 296	\$ 994	\$ 173	\$ 22	\$ 23	\$ 65	\$ 149	\$ 89	\$ 6	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 159	\$ 74

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'P.				BAPT'MS.		S. SCHOOLS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of probationers.....	No. of full members.....	No. of local preachers....	No. of deaths.....	No. of children baptized..	No. of adults baptized..	No. of schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.....	Paid on old indebtedness on church property....	Present indebtedness on church property.....	
Ashton.....	9	183	1	5	.....	.....	4	40	150	2	\$ 1200	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Cassville.....	13	181	4	3	.....	.....	6	43	225	6	2500	1	100	55	141	
Central City.....	12	88	1	.....	.....	3	2	19	175	1	1600	1	100	7	472	
Ceredo.....	9	99	.....	1	.....	.....	1	16	120	1	1800	1	900	.....	338	
Dingess.....	21	75	1	4	.....	2	2	10	125	2	1000	.....	600	200	125	
Dunlow.....	61	111	4	1	2	5	5	38	160	.....	1	300	.....	.....	150	
East Hamlin.....	15	73	2	.....	.....	.....	1	6	60	2	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Egypt.....	33	90	1	.....	.....	1	1	9	75	2	1200	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Fairfield.....	7	134	1	.....	.....	2	2	16	125	1	800	1	200	5	.....	
Guyandotte.....	5	130	1	3	.....	4	1	15	120	1	2600	1	1200	.....	.....	
Hamlin.....	10	220	4	3	.....	10	4	46	210	3½	3400	.....	500	.....	.....	
Handley.....	15	94	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	12	170	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Henderson.....	30	260	1	.....	2	20	4	40	260	4	2400	1	450	6	.....	
Huntington—First Church.....	14	345	2	1	6	9	1	35	294	1	18000	1	2500	650	450	
Huntington—Seventh Avenue.....	4	308	1	4	1	10	1	21	251	1	4100	.....	.....	100	197	
Hurricane.....	30	103	2	.....	.....	.....	3	14	167	3	1800	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Kanawha City.....	35	65	1	.....	.....	16	1	6	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Kenova.....	10	36	.....	.....	2	2	1	6	100	1	2000	.....	.....	300	700	
Milton.....	26	292	2	2	.....	5	3	30	200	3	2500	1	200	280	.....	
Pigeon Creek.....	8	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	8	64	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Peytona.....	81	169	3	4	4	24	5	20	180	2	300	1	200	.....	.....	
Reid.....	10	200	4	2	19	23	5	30	240	4	3000	.....	.....	310	400	
Ruth.....	6	100	3	.....	2	6	4	20	125	1	50	.....	.....	8	.....	
St. Albans.....	21	93	.....	1	.....	3	3	16	82	2	1600	1	400	.....	97	
Sheridan.....	17	87	.....	.....	.....	10	2	10	40	1	150	1	100	70	18	
Thacker.....	19	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	14	90	2	1800	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Wayne.....	13	109	3	.....	.....	1	4	40	325	4	2850	1	400	.....	.....	
Williamson.....	57	25	1	2	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	1	700	.....	.....	11	43	
Winfield.....	22	118	1	4	3	31	6	28	160	2	1800	1	500	365	13	
Winnifrede.....	38	175	1	6	1	23	2	22	115	3	3200	.....	.....	375	1000	
Total.....	651	4027	45	45	42	228	82	613	4488	56½	62550	12	\$7350	\$3435	\$1292	\$3708

Statistics No. 3.

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUP'RT OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISHOPS		Total support Pastors, Pre siding Elders and Bishops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		CURRENT EXPENS'S			
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.	Am't apportioned.	Amount paid.	Am't apportioned.		Amount paid.	REC'D FROM		Total.	Church : Sexton, light, fuel, etc.	Sunday school Lesson leaves, books, etc.
		Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....	Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....							Collections.....	Other sources.....			
Ashton.....	H. C. Heald.....	350	.....	350	85	.....	85	265	30	10	.....	95	.....	.....	.....	25		
Cassville.....	Wilson Lewis.....	300	.....	300	168	.....	168	132	34	23	.....	193	.....	2	.....	23		
Central City.....	P. H. Hawk.....	400	.....	400	35	.....	350	50	32	29	.....	380	.....	.....	6	50		
Ceredo.....	W. C. Strothmeyer.....	450	150	600	110	84	194	406	36	18	.....	213	.....	.....	14	20		
Dingess.....	W. K. Young.....	250	.....	250	59	.....	59	191	26	12	.....	71	.....	.....	.....	27		
Dunlow.....	J. L. Jones.....	200	.....	200	63	.....	63	137	30	20	.....	93	.....	.....	.....	3		
East Hamlin.....	A. C. Hicks.....	250	.....	250	112	.....	112	138	25	22	.....	134	.....	.....	.....	.....		
Egypt.....	Jas B. Cook.....	250	.....	250	120	.....	120	130	30	18	.....	139	.....	1	1	.....		
Fairfield.....	J. B. Workman.....	600	60	660	516	60	576	84	50	50	.....	629	.....	6	1	41		
Guyandotte.....	H. C. Howard.....	425	125	550	425	125	550	.....	48	48	.....	600	.....	4	8	85		
Hamlin.....	F. W. Queen.....	364	36	400	238	36	274	126	47	46	.....	322	.....	.....	.....	21		
Handley.....	C. M. Ownby.....	500	.....	500	156	.....	156	344	37	11	.....	168	.....	.....	.....	12		
Henderson.....	D. B. Mahone.....	440	60	500	388	60	448	52	50	50	.....	502	.....	6	4	30		
Huntington 1st Church	B. B. Evans.....	1200	300	1500	1200	300	1500	.....	100	100	.....	1605	.....	23	12	290		
Huntington 7th Av.....	H. Scott.....	900	.....	900	800	.....	800	100	47	47	.....	852	.....	9	8	110		
Hurricane.....	J. H. Mason.....	300	.....	300	65	.....	65	235	28	12	.....	77	.....	.....	6	6		
Kanawha City.....	S. B. Hart.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
Kenova.....	E. J. Westfall.....	300	.....	300	232	.....	232	68	24	6	.....	238	.....	.....	.....	20		
Milton.....	Albert Craig.....	350	50	400	255	50	305	95	47	43	.....	349	.....	5	5	32		
Pigeon Creek.....	D. H. Trembly.....	150	.....	150	9	.....	9	141	24	8	.....	17	.....	.....	.....	15		
Peytona.....	T. T. Frashure.....	350	25	375	175	25	200	175	30	30	.....	231	.....	1	1	12		
Reid.....	A. M. Grimes.....	304	.....	304	267	.....	267	37	30	30	.....	300	.....	9	3	40		
Ruth.....	Z. T. Scantlin.....	300	.....	300	72	.....	72	228	25	23	.....	97	.....	1	1	5		
St. Albans.....	A. L. Cathers.....	300	40	340	102	12	114	226	31	18	.....	132	.....	.....	.....	14		
Sheridan.....	W. M. Stephens.....	225	15	240	90	15	105	135	24	13	.....	118	.....	.....	.....	1		
Thacker.....	H. V. Kingsley.....	200	.....	200	200	.....	200	.....	28	13	.....	214	.....	1	1	22		
Wayne.....	H. L. Poling.....	400	50	450	400	50	450	.....	47	47	.....	501	.....	7	4	50		
Williamson.....	Geo. J. Hartman.....	200	.....	200	58	.....	58	142	28	18	.....	76	.....	.....	.....	.....		
Winfield.....	R. F. Farley.....	300	40	340	196	40	236	104	44	34	.....	270	.....	.....	.....	34		
Winifrede.....	M. F. Pritchard.....	600	.....	600	600	.....	600	.....	41	41	.....	644	.....	6	6	10		
Total.....		11528	951	12479	7641	867	8508	3971	1071	847	56	41	9396	73	43	116	827	793

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.....	Sunday School Union..	Tract Society.....	Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society.....	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.....	Woman's Home Missionary Society.....	Total other Benevolent Collections.....	General Conference Expenses.....
	a. Church.....	b. Sunday School	Total.....					a. Public educational collection..	b. Children's Fund					
Ashton.....	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$				\$	\$
Cassville.....	2	15	15	4	1	1	2	1						2
Central City.....	7	10	17	3	1									
Ceredo.....	7	7	7											
Dingess.....	1	1	1		1				4					
Dunlow.....	5	5	5	2	1	1	1							
East Hamlin.....	4		4											
Egypt.....	6	1	7	1	1	1	2		6					
Fairfield.....	33	7	40	3	1	1	3	3						3
Guyandotte.....	40	10	50	1	1	1	3	5		1	3			
Hamlin.....	28		28	3	1	1	2							
Handley.....	3		3					1						
Henderson.....	26	14	40	4	1	2	3	3	3	1				3
Huntington—First Church.....	164	51	215	8	1	1	5	25	7		108			10
Huntington—Seventh Avenue.....	43	40	83	6	2	2	4	5	15		6		8	
Hurricane.....	7		7	2	1	1	1							
Kanawha City.....	6		6	2	1									
Kenova.....	5		5											
Milton.....	19	3	22		1	2	2		1					
Pigeon Creek.....	3		3											
Peytona.....	15	1	16	2	1	1								
Reid.....	29	9	38	3	1	2	2	3	12					3
Ruth.....	10		10	1	1	1	2							
St. Albans.....	5		5	2	1	1	1		1					
Sheridan.....	5		5	1	1	1	1							
Thacker.....	1		1	2	1		2		1	1				1
Wayne.....	23	2	25	4	2	1	3	1						
Williamson.....	4		4	1										
Winfield.....	8		8	2	1	1								
Winifrede.....	40		40	2	1	1	1							3
Total.....	\$567	\$145	\$712	\$60	\$24	\$26	\$40	\$47	\$50	\$3	\$117		\$8	\$25

Statistics No. 1.

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'P				BAPT'M'S		S. SCHOOLS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.					
	No. of probationers.....	No. of full members.....	No. of local preachers....	No. of deaths.....	No. of children baptized..	No. of adults baptized...	No. of scholars.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.....	Present indebtedness on church property.....
Arnettsville.....	10	340	2	10	.....	9	5	60	200	4 \$ 3500	1 \$ 1000	\$ 25	\$.....	\$.....
Blacksville.....	2	504	1	3	2	7	5	41	327	5 10800	1 1250	1000	.....	.....
Grafton.....	35	531	.....	2	4	7	12	27	365	1 20000	1 3500	1620	.....	960
Halleck.....	31	333	.....	3	11	.....	7	72	350	6 5000	1 500	330	23	.....
Jollytown.....	17	345	1	.....	2	14	5	50	390	5 4000	1 1500	125	25	75
Kingwood.....	9	184	.....	.....	10	1	1	18	150	1 7500	1 2500	200	.....	.....
Knottsville.....	16	421	1	6	2	18	6	48	300	5 4200	1 500	.....	.....	.....
Littleton.....	27	183	2	3	2	19	8	23	303	4 4550	.....	1355	.....	181
Masontown.....	.....	279	.....	2	.....	1	4	30	200	5 4400	1 1000	50	.....	.....
Monongalia.....	4	381	1	7	3	20	6	54	332	6 7100	1 2500	.....	70	.....
Morgantown.....	4	370	.....	3	11	3	1	23	261	1 6000	1 6500	400	1400	.....
Morgantown Circuit.....	23	448	4	10	2	11	8	68	400	7 5000	.....	25	25	.....
Palatine.....	1	275	1	2	1	3	1	18	260	1 5000	1 1500	25	100	.....
Palatine Circuit.....	14	586	2	6	6	10	7	70	395	7 7100	1 1200	408	70	65
Tunnelton.....	27	290	2	1	3	9	7	42	246	5 4500	1 700	1000	25	600
Wadestown.....	10	425	2	3	.....	40	5	63	259	6 9500	1 1300	700	50	250
Total.....	230	5895	91	61	49	179	75	721	4778	69 \$108150	14 \$ 25450	\$ 7263	\$ 1798	\$ 2131

Statistics No. 3.

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUP'RT. OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISHOPS		Total support Pastors, Pre- siding Elders, and Bishops	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		CURRENT EXPENS'S			
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Am't apporportioned....	Amount paid.....	Am't apporportioned....	Amount paid.....		REC'D FROM		Total.....	Church: Sexton, light, fuel, etc.....	Sunday school: Lesson leaves, books, etc....	
		Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....	Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....						Deficiencies.....	Collections.....				Other sources.....
Arnettsville.....	F. M. Cain	450	50	500	450	50	500	...	75	75	...	2	575	5	.....	5	.....	.....
Blacksville.....	G. H. Williams.....	600	150	750	600	150	750	.....	82	82	10	8	840	16	6	22	85	120
Grafton.....	F. N. Lynch.....	1300	300	1600	1300	300	1600	.....	110	110	15	15	1725	40	13	53	.....	.....
Halleck.....	E. D. Fellers.....	400	35	435	390	35	425	9	64	64	9	3	492	5	.....	5	75	35
Jollytown.....	M. E. Goodrich.....	450	100	550	450	100	550	.....	66	66	5	5	621	5	5	10	75	40
Kingwood.....	M. D. Nutter.....	600	150	750	600	150	750	.....	71	71	10	10	831	21	.....	21	100	40
Knottsville.....	A. E. Barnes.....	500	75	575	490	75	565	10	80	80	11	7	652	14	5	19	75	28
Littleton.....	S. E. Jones.....	505	.....	505	505	17	522	.....	61	61	5	5	588	12	.....	12	36	74
Masontown.....	M. Knotts.....	413	75	488	379	75	454	34	68	68	7	5	519	7	.....	7	80	30
Monongalia.....	L. N. Baumgardner.....	600	200	800	600	200	800	.....	88	88	13	13	901	16	.....	16	60	44
Morgantown.....	S. V. Leech.....	1200	500	1200	1200	500	1700	.....	110	110	15	15	1825	60	.....	60	320	182
Morgantown Circuit.....	A. W. Ownby.....	602	.....	602	602	.....	602	.....	80	80	6	4	686	15	.....	15	84	68
Palatine.....	Geo. C. Shaw.....	550	100	650	650	100	750	.....	60	60	7	5	715	13	6	19	100	75
Palatine Circuit.....	A. A. Kelley.....	503	75	578	503	75	578	.....	62	62	7	5	645	13	5	13	50	50
Tunnelton.....	J. J. White.....	440	75	515	440	75	515	.....	65	65	5	4	584	6	.....	6	35	32
Wadestown.....	D. F. Carder.....	500	100	600	500	100	600	.....	66	66	11	11	677	20	.....	20	156	50
Total.....		9613	2002	11598	9559	2002	11561	53	1200	1200	136	117	12876	268	40	308	1361	633

Statistics No. 4.

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension	Sunday School Union.	Tract Society.	Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Total other Benevolent Collections.	General Conference Expenses
	a. Church	b. Sunday School.	Total					a. Public Educational Collection.	b. Children's Fund					
Arnettsville.....	\$ 32	\$ 3	\$ 35	2	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 3	\$ 3	\$ 5	\$ 21		\$ 75	
Blacksville.....	45	30	75	2	1	1	1	5	9				7	
Grafton.....	175	100	275	20	1	1	1	10	10	21			2	
Halleck.....	24	1	25	1	1	1	1							
Jollytown.....	50	15	65	5	1	1	1							
Kingwood.....	80	20	100	9	1	1	1	25	16					
Knottsville.....	47	6	53	5	1	1	1	6	8	86	1			
Littleton.....	35	5	40	9	2	2	2	4	1	1				
Masontown.....	10	2	12	9				4	16					
Monongalia.....	83	12	95	13	2	2	2	20	12	2		4		
Morgantown.....	101	119	220	25	4	3	3	40	10	10		12	21	
Morgantown District.....	40	10	50	1	1	1	1	10		1				
Palatine.....	52	13	65	7	1	1	1	5			15		3	
Palatine Circuit.....	40	40	80	8	1	1	1	4					4	
Tunnelton.....	12	8	20	1	1	1	1	1			23		2	
Wadestown.....	101	50	151	10	2	2	2	25	17				9	
Total.....	\$ 927	\$ 434	\$ 1361	\$ 140	\$ 22	\$ 21	\$ 91	\$ 152	\$ 100	\$ 25	\$ 146	\$ 19	\$ 75	

Statistics No. 1.

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'P				BAPT'M'S		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.					
	No. of probationers.....	No. of full members.....	No. of local preachers....	No. of deaths.....	No. of children baptized..	No. of adults baptized...	No. of scholars.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of schools.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.....	Present indebtedness on church property.....
Athens	20	250	1	3	10	4	15	105	4	175	2200	1	250	250	18
Birch River	44	136	1	2	1	1	23	80	14	75	1400	1	800	75	80
Boone.....	43	120	1	3	31	1	25	130	30	90	2000	1	300	30	200
Bluefield.....	16	48	2	2	2	10	40	400	3 1/2	2800	1	300	100	50	100
Brooklyn.....	43	184	1	3	31	1	25	130	30	90	2000	1	300	30	200
Claremont.....	16	48	2	2	2	10	40	400	3 1/2	2800	1	300	100	50	100
Clay.....	20	100	2	2	2	10	40	400	3 1/2	2800	1	300	100	50	100
Elk River	100	224	3	3	38	5	20	200	3	2500	1	300	50	50	200
Fayette.....	94	345	3	6	4	38	5	20	200	3	2500	1	300	50	200
Flat Top.....	69	127	1	3	3	3	10	40	220	2	500	1	200	5	100
Gilbert.....	33	51	2	1	2	1	6	20	220	2	500	1	200	5	100
Hewitt.....	44	226	2	1	1	1	6	20	220	2	500	1	200	5	100
Mattville.....	34	73	2	2	8	27	2	20	131	1	600	1	300	1545	100
Montgomery.....	20	271	1	2	13	3	12	93	2	700	1	300	150	30	12
Mt. Cove.....	147	38	2	2	2	16	4	36	257	2	1200	1	500	10	12
Logan.....	33	216	4	7	6	9	60	561	2	1000	1	500	10	12	12
Nicholas.....	30	336	1	4	4	1	6	42	313	6	4200	1	300	30	12
Norwood.....	35	260	4	4	15	6	35	150	2	600	1	300	150	30	12
Ophelia.....	45	301	4	7	6	9	60	561	2	1000	1	500	10	12	12
Oceana.....	45	301	4	7	6	9	60	561	2	1000	1	500	10	12	12
Pleasant Retreat.....	45	301	4	7	6	9	60	561	2	1000	1	500	10	12	12
Raleigh.....	45	200	2	4	3	5	30	168	2	1100	1	1200	975	250	250
Spring Dale.....	30	307	1	1	13	4	53	269	5 1/4	3600	1	1200	975	250	250
Summersville.....	30	307	1	1	13	4	53	269	5 1/4	3600	1	1200	975	250	250
Tate Creek.....	67	237	3	3	5	5	27	218	2	900	1	1200	975	250	250
Total.....	1057	4663	40	60	52	217	113	634	4511	56 1/2	\$36400	12	\$5000	\$3403	\$480

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUP'RT OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISH'PS		Total Support: Pastors, Pre-siding Elders and Bish-ops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		CUR' ENT EXP' NS'S.		
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid.	Amount Apportioned.		Amount Paid.	REC'D FROM		Total.	Church: Sexton, light, fuel, etc.
		Salary.	House Rent.	Total.	Salary.	House Rent.	Total.							Collections.	Other sources.		
Athens.	W. F. Jenkins.	250		250	200		200	50	36	36		236			20	15	
Birch River	C. A. Spencer	137	25	162	100	25	125	37	24	24	1	150					
Boone.	E. S. Dickens.	100		100	75		75	25	24	24		99					
Bluefield.	T. H. Shannon	300		300	66		66	234	2	16		82					
Brooklyn.	Elmer C. Conway	150		150	130		130	20	20	20	1	151	1	1	2	8	
Claremont.	W. L. Barze	400	100	500	435	100	535		60	60	3	598	1	4	30	60	
Clay.	W. E. Gibbs.	285		285	132		132	153	40	40	3	173	1		8	16	
Elk River.	Daniel Wilson.	300		300	300		300		45	45	3	348			25	25	
Payette.	R. G. Backus	400	50	450	343	50	393	57	60	60		453	1	3	10	10	
Flat Top.	S. McKinney	100		100	40		40	60	30	30		70					
Gilbert.	E. S. Harless	50		50	40		40	10	10			50					
Hewett.	W. E. Shafer (no rep't)																
Matville.	E. L. Kidd (no report)																
Montgomery.	B. F. Howell.	300		300	204		204	96	36	36	1	241			50	24	
Mt. Cove.	Eugene Weaver	442		442	380		380	62	60	57	4	440	10		67	53	
Logan.	H. E. Sumner	176		176	80		80	96	50	36		116			10	6	
Nicholas.	L. S. Grose	225		225	210		210	15	36	36	2	248	4	2			
Norwood.	A. H. Matheny	400		400	150		150	250	50	40		190					
Ophelia.	J. W. Claypool	320	25	345	315	25	340	5	60	55	4	399					
Oceana.	C. W. Stephan	340		340	215	25	240	100	50	43	1	284			5	25	
Pleasant Retreat.	H. P. Williams	300	25	325	315	22	340		50	50	2	392	3	2	15	63	
Raleigh.	M. C. Reed	350		350	334		334	16	44	44		378			25		
Spring Dale.	J. S. Pullin	247		247	190		190	57	36	36	2	228				21	
Summersville.	J. W. Carroll.	350	50	400	355	50	405		56	56	4	465	10		30	26	
Tate Creek.	T. J. Lewis	285		285	254		254	31	40		2	296				23	
Total.....		6207	275	6482	4863	300	5163	1374	937	894	35	30	6087	31	12	295	375

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension	Sunday School Union.	Tract Society.	Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Total other Benevolent Collections.	General Conference Expenses
	a. Church	b. Sunday School.	Total					a. Public Educational Collection.	b. Children's Fund					
Athens	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$					\$
Birch River	2	3	1	1										
Boone	1	1												
Bluefield	1	1												
Brooklyn	2	2	1	1			1	1						
Claremont	1	8	15	1	1				2					2
Clay	1	1	3	2										1
Elk River	10	10	2	4			1		6					
Fayette	47	47	4											
Flat Top	8	8												
Gilbert	2	2												
Hewett (No report)														
Mattville (No report)														
Montgomery	1	7	1	1			1							
Mt. Cove	37	37	5				3	1	4					
Logan	2	2	1											
Nicholas	20	20	2				1							
Norwood (No report)														
Ophelia	33	33	3											
Oceana	2	2	1											1
Pleasant Retreat	5	6	11	2				2						
Raleigh	10	10	1											
Spring Dale	25	25	2	1				4						
Summersville	27	3	30	6	1	1	4	4						1
Tate Creek	40	40		1		1	1	9						
Total	\$ 290	\$ 17	\$ 307	\$ 40	\$ 3	\$ 2	\$ 15	\$ 23	\$ 6					\$ 6

Statistics No 1.

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH		MEMB'P		BAPT'MS.		S. SCHOOLS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of probationers.....	No. of full members.....	No. of local preachers.....	No. of deaths.....	No. of children baptized.	No. of adults baptized.....	No. of schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.....	Paid on old indebtedness on church property....	Present indebtedness on church property.....
Aurora.....	33	355	2	4	8	15	5	45	325	5	\$ 6500	1	\$ 1200	\$ 175	\$ 5	\$ 250
Albrights.....	12	310		1	1	8	7	54	348	5	5800	1	950			
Brandonville.....	8	234	1	2	3	24	4	35	300	5	2300	1	700			
Bruceton.....		392		3			4	20	190	4	3000	1	800	435		489
Bayard.....	14	118		1	8	7	4	28	224	2	2000	1	800			190
Blaine.....	10	375	1	2	23	3	6	52	324	6	3875			800		200
Cranesville.....	3	186		2	4	7	6	32	226	4	1850		300	200	190	160
Davis.....	14	165		2	4	7	1	17	300	1	2500	2	2500	60		
Deer Park.....	10	309	3		6		6	50	320	1	1300			600	120	72
Etam.....	4	161				14	5	25	125	5	2000	1	500			
Evansville.....	102	454	1	6	4	31	5	51	318	6	3500	1	500	100		
Friendsville.....	32	385	3	3	23	28	9	72	450	6	7200	1	1400	400	25	600
Grantsville.....	10	210		4	17	3	7	50	210	4	5500	1	850	100	100	10
Newburg.....	14	180	1	2	2	20	3	26	147	1	3800	1	800	125		
Oakland.....	3	275	1	6	5	1	1	18	225	1	8000	1	2000			200
Parsons.....	19	130	1		6	5	3	31	200	2	1500	1	850	46		
Rowlesburg.....	6	200	1	3	8		3	32	200	3	3400	1	800	825		150
Horton.....		122	1		2	24	1	12	120	1 1/3	1300			500		240
Sinclair.....	67	310	1	13	1	17	8	56	475	7	2000	1	300	12		
Terra Alta.....	16	228		1	6	14	2	24	250	1	2000	1	1200			
Terra Alta Circuit.....	3	100		3	3		5	33	161							
Thomas.....	10	80			30	7	1	14	145	1	900			49		
Total.....	386	5279	17	58	164	231	96	777	5583	72 2/3	\$ 70225	18	\$ 16450	\$ 4427	\$ 485	\$ 2552

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MINUTES OF WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUP'T. OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISHOPS		Total support Pastors, Pre- siding Elders, and Bishops	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		CURRENT EXPENSES.			
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.....	Am't apportioned....	Amount paid.....	Am't apportioned....		Amount paid.....	REC'D FROM	Total.....	Church: Sexton, light, fuel, etc.....	Sunday-school: Lesson leaves, books, etc.....	
		Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....	Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....											
Aurora.....	J. L. B. Jones.....	530	75	595	580	75	655	....	56	56	6	5	716	12	12	50	60	
Albrights.....	H. E. Friend.....	400	50	450	400	50	450	....	56	56	6	5	512	13	13	35	45	
Brandonville.....	Daniel Westfall.....	510	60	570	510	60	570	....	50	50	5	5	625	10	10	40	40	
Bruceton.....	W. D. Pinson.....	300	....	300	240	....	240	60	50	50	5	5	295	5	5	35	30	
Bayard.....	C. B. Meredith.....	525	100	625	465	100	565	60	54	40	6	5	510	10	10	50	62	
Blaine.....	J. H. Koch.....	450	....	450	416	....	416	34	49	49	6	6	471	7	7	27	81	
Cranesville.....	E. C. Bedford.....	393	36	429	325	36	361	68	50	31	4	4	396	6	6	12	18	
Davis.....	A. S. Arnett.....	650	150	800	650	150	800	....	55	55	9	6	861	20	20	166	154	
Deer Park.....	J. H. Funk.....	457	30	487	400	25	425	62	50	50	5	5	480	3	2	5	20	
Eatam.....	Albert Engle.....	200	36	236	200	36	236	....	30	30	4	1	267	2	2	21	21	
Evansville.....	J. N. Sharp.....	425	50	475	350	50	400	75	80	58	9	2	460	9	3	12	30	
Friendsville.....	W. R. Hennon.....	500	100	600	470	100	570	30	68	68	9	9	547	20	20	150	85	
Grantsville.....	E. P. Idleman.....	387	50	437	357	50	407	30	56	55	6	4	466	5	3	8	30	
Newburg.....	C. E. Leatherby.....	500	60	560	512	60	572	....	64	64	9	9	645	15	5	20	86	
Oakland.....	R. B. Ward.....	850	200	1050	850	200	1050	....	77	77	14	14	1141	28	28	205	82	
Parsons.....	C. W. Cox.....	480	60	540	460	60	520	20	45	45	5	5	570	10	10	40	47	
Howlesburg.....	J. H. Enlow.....	525	100	625	525	100	625	....	50	50	5	5	680	15	15	75	60	
Horton.....	W. M. Schultz.....	295	....	295	210	....	210	85	35	35	3	3	248	5	5	35	30	
Sinclair.....	J. W. Funk.....	350	40	390	240	40	280	110	45	40	....	....	320	....	....	10	26	
Terra Alta.....	J. M. Warden.....	545	100	645	545	100	645	....	54	54	6	6	705	15	15	69	60	
Terra Alta Circuit.....	E. C. Woodruff.....	185	....	185	170	....	170	15	20	20	2	2	192	5	5	30	30	
Thomas.....	S. K. Arbuthnot.....	300	....	300	300	....	300	....	....	9	3	3	312	7	3	20	30	
Total.....		9757	1297	11054	9170	1292	10467	649	1094	1042	127	110	11610	222	16	238	1185	1109

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Ex- tension.....	Sunday School Union..	Tract Society.....	Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society.....	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Mis- sionary Society.....	Woman's Home Mis- sionary Society.....	Total other Benevolent Collections.....	General Conference Ex- penses.....
	a. Church.....	b. Sunday School.	Total.....					a. Pubic educa- tional collection..	b. Children's Fund					
Aurora.....	\$ 60	\$ 60	\$ 60	9	1	1	6	\$ 10	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 5	\$ 10
Albrights.....	40	40	45	40	1	1	10	10	6					5
Brandonville.....	40	40	40	8	1	1	10	15	2					6
Bruceton.....	30	30	30	6	2	1	4	15	1					4
Bayard.....	35	35	35	10			5	7						1
Blaine.....	37	37	37	8	1	1	4	10	2					4
Cranesville.....	32	32	42	6	2	1	6	5						4
Davis.....	56	34	90	20			4	5						1
Deer Park.....	70	17	87	6	2	2	5	21	2	1				4
Eatam.....	20		20	1	1	1	1	12	2	1	62	56		1
Evansville.....	33	14	47	2	1	1	1	3						1
Friendsville.....	55	5	60	2	1	1	2	15	22	1				9
Grantsville.....	30	3	33	3	1	1	4	1						9
Newburg.....	58	7	65	9			1	10			5			9
Oakland.....	90	35	125	14	3	4	10	20	7		6			8
Parsons.....	25	10	35	8	1	1	1	10						8
Rowlesburg.....	40	25	65	6	2	2	2	10	2					8
Horton.....	10	10	20	8	1	1	2	1						5
Sinclair.....	29		29	1	2	2	2							1
Terra Alta.....	35	30	65	1	1	1	2	25						6
Terra Alta Circuit.....	10		10	2	1	1	2							2
Thomas.....	7	25	32	9	1	1	2	15	10	1			39	3
Total.....	\$ 842	\$ 236	\$ 1078	\$ 166	\$ 27	\$ 28	\$ 88	\$ 222	\$ 64	\$ 4	\$ 94	\$ 56	\$ 56	\$ 104

Statistics No. 1.

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'P.				BAPT'MS.		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of probationers.....	No. of full members.....	No. of local preachers...	No. of deaths.....	No. of children baptized..	No. of adults baptized..	No. of schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.....	Paid on old indebtedness on church property....	Present indebtedness on church property.....
Belleville.....	5	375	1	5		3	6	48	360	6	\$ 7000	1	\$1000	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....
Big Bend.....	65	59		4		24	2	7	85	1	400					
Cairo.....	3	135	1	2		2	3	30	155	2	2000			25		
Centerville.....		335	3	2		15	8	56	320	6	3000	1	1200	1200		
Elizabeth.....	5	280		1			4	32	2 0	4	4000	1	800	60		15
Ellenboro.....	3	400	3	2		3	3	50	257	7	6000	1	1200	20		45
Harrisville.....	2	237		2			3	41	267	2	6100	1	2500	1600		5
Hebron.....	18	129		4			3	27	127	3	2000					
Middlebourne.....	18	168			1	1	2	20	140	2	2500	1	800	55		
Newark.....	25	218				2	6	40	225	6	3000	1	200			
North Parkersburg.....	10	150	1	3		25	5	25	250	5	2800			200		
Parkersburg—First Church.....	41	482	2	8	6	17	1	40	360	1	42500	1	7500	800		
Parkersburg—Second Church.....	3	169		2	2	11	2	34	228	2	5000					
Parkersburg Circuit.....	12	569		8		46	6	66	336	3	6800	1	1200			
Pennsboro.....	9	125		3		11	3	19	170	3	2950	1	800	260	60	35
Pleasants.....	1	157		2			6	46	233	4	1500			175		20
Pullman.....	10	276	2	5		12	4	38	22	5	3000	1	750	50	166	334
Pursley.....	7	150	1	4	10		6	35	165	5	2000			35		
St. Marys.....	1	183	1	4	2	8	4	22	266	4	4400					
Shiloh.....	3	250	1	1		28	4	30	155	5	3500	1	500			
Sistersville.....	40	220		3	11	20	1	22	200	1	2500	1	800	60	262	
Smithville.....	13	311	1	3		12	6	62	321	6	5200	1	800	500		200
South Parkersburg.....	9	155				7	4	33	216	4	3000			82	173	176
Volcano.....	23	296	1	6		12	4	44	272	4	3300	2	550	526		95
West Union.....		8	4	1			2	17	110	2	4000	1	2150	71		
Williamstown.....		132					2	24	183	2	4000			34	9	175
Total.....	320	6050	22	75	41	269	104	908	5874	93	\$132450	17	\$21750	\$5753	\$675	\$1135

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUP'RT OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISHOPS		Total support Pastors, Pre siding Elders and Bishops.	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		CURRENT EXPENSES.			
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.	Am't apportioned.	Amount paid	Am't apportioned.		Amount paid	REC'D FROM		Total.....	Church: Sexton, light, fuel, etc.....	Sunday school Lesson leaves, books, etc.....
		Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....	Salary.....	House rent.....	Total.....							Collections.....	Other sources.....			
Belleville.....	Wm. Hunter.....	525	75	600	450	75	525	75	70	66	8	4	595	4	.....	4	60	25
Big Bend.....	James B. Woodyard.....	250	.....	250	170	.....	170	80	30	30	2	2	202	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cairo.....	A. B. Rohrbaugh.....	400	.....	400	400	.....	400	.....	50	50	.....	.....	455	2	.....	4	12	50
Centerville.....	A. D. Adams.....	625	75	700	630	75	705	.....	70	73	.....	4	782	9	6	15	.....	62
Elizabeth.....	J. S. Harvey.....	370	50	420	225	50	275	145	50	38	6	1	314	3	.....	3	50	50
Ellenboro.....	H. C. Sanford.....	550	50	600	375	50	425	175	70	65	6	6	496	20	.....	20	50	80
Harrisville.....	L. D. Ashby.....	500	48	548	500	48	548	.....	75	75	10	10	633	35	.....	35	67	103
Hebron.....	Albert M. Bever, sup.....	385	.....	385	210	.....	210	175	66	55	.....	.....	265	.....	.....	.....	.....	24
Middlebourne.....	W. E. Lovett.....	550	75	625	550	75	625	.....	60	60	8	8	693	.....	.....	.....	60	56
Newark.....	M. Taylor.....	300	50	350	300	.....	300	50	50	50	50	50	355	10	3	13	.....	31
North Parkersburg.....	D. W. Smith, sup.....	300	.....	300	222	.....	222	78	30	30	50	25	254	4	.....	4	94	30
Parkersburg 1st Ch'h.....	F. S. Townsend.....	1500	500	2000	1500	500	2000	.....	180	180	25	25	2205	105	.....	105	581	80
Parkersburg 2d Ch'h.....	G. W. Kepler.....	750	.....	750	655	.....	655	95	60	60	4	4	719	15	.....	15	40	78
Parkersburg Circuit.....	C. R. Shackelford.....	600	100	700	550	100	650	50	90	80	.....	7	737	15	.....	14	60	40
Pennsboro.....	W. M. Kinsley.....	450	60	510	330	60	390	120	40	40	6	3	433	6	4	10	63	65
Pleasants.....	E. S. Withers.....	225	.....	225	204	.....	204	21	40	40	6	2	246	4	.....	4	20	22
Pulman.....	Taylor Richmond.....	350	50	400	350	50	400	.....	50	50	6	5	455	8	.....	8	25	31
Pursley.....	T. H. Bunting.....	600	75	675	525	.....	525	150	50	50	6	6	581	5	.....	5	25	35
St. Marys.....	C. Warman.....	800	96	896	667	96	763	133	70	58	8	4	825	20	.....	20	80	60
Shioh.....	F. P. Dunbar.....	400	50	450	352	50	402	48	62	62	.....	5	469	5	.....	5	25	30
Sistersville.....	H. B. Bowden.....	800	200	1000	830	200	1030	.....	70	70	10	10	1110	25	.....	25	505	159
Smithville.....	J. C. Strader.....	500	36	536	425	36	461	75	65	65	7	7	533	7	.....	7	25	34
South Parkersburg.....	T. W. Wilson.....	340	.....	340	226	.....	226	114	35	35	4	4	262	9	2	11	19	69
Volcano.....	E. D. W. King.....	576	24	600	576	24	600	.....	60	60	8	8	668	15	.....	15	90	47
West Union.....	M. Talbot.....	500	100	600	470	100	570	30	55	55	6	6	631	6	.....	6	51	21
Williamstown.....	C. W. Upton.....	600	100	700	555	34	589	111	60	56	7	5	650	13	.....	13	67	64
Total.....		13746	1814	15560	12247	1623	13870	1725	1602	1550	158	148	15568	383	19	372	1887	1326

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.												
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension	Sunday School Union.	Tract Society.	Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society.	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Woman's Home Missionary Society.	Total other Benevolent Collections.
	a. Church	b. Sunday School.	Total					a. Public Educational Collection.	b. Children's Fund				
Belleville	\$ 21	\$ 3	\$ 21	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 2	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 4
Big Bend	3	3	3										
Cairo	20	22	42	4	1	1	5	5	1	1			1
Centerville	54		54	2		1	2	2					
Elizabeth	12	3	15	1	2			2					1
Ellenboro	25	20	45	3	2	1	2	2		1			
Harrisville	62	40	102	14	3	3		13					9
Hebron	3	5	8										
Middlebourne	50	30	80	8	2	2	8	22					7
Newark	20	5	25	1			1	2	2				1
North Parkersburg	10		10	1			1	1				1	1
Parkersburg—First Church	375	225	600	48	5	4	45	75	28	40	132		23
Parkersburg—Second Church	20	25	45	3	1	1	2	6	1	1			1
Parkersburg Circuit	40	70	110	8	1	1	1	3	9	1			6
Pennsboro	16	4	20	2	1			5	6				1
Pleasants	16	9	25	2		1	2		4				
Pullman	30	5	35	4	1	1		12	4	1			5
Pursley	40		40	4			2	3	2		9	1	1
St. Marys	25	20	45	4	1	1	2	20	2	1			4
Shiloh	43		43	2	1	1	2	4					2
Sistersville	30	60	90	12	2	2	8	30	2	2	54		6
Smithville	44		44	5	2	2	6	8	6				6
South Parkersburg	20	4	24	2			1	1	2	1			1
Volcano	73	7	80	7	2	2	1	5	9	1			5
West Union	14	8	22	2	2	1	1	5	2				5
Williamstown	6	35	41	4	1	1	2	6	5	1	1	1	5
Total	\$1072	\$597	\$1669	\$145	\$28	\$26	\$119	\$226	\$106	\$50	\$196	\$3	\$40

Statistics No. 1.

WHEELING DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'P.				BAPT'MS.		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.					
	No. of probationers.....	No. of full members.....	No. of local preachers...	No. of deaths.....	No. of children baptized..	No. of adults baptized..	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value.....	No. of parsonages.....	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages.....	Paid on old indebtedness on church property.....	Present indebtedness on church property.....
Benwood.....	6	247	3	2	14	4	1	22	275	1 \$ 13000	1 \$ 3000	\$ 32	\$ 1176	\$ 5233	
Cameron.....	18	291		2		3	1	15	150	1 13000	1 2000	200	225		
Cameron Circuit.....	2	95		1			1	8	50	2 2500					
Dallas.....	17	342		2		18	2	25	182	2 3500	1 800	633			80
Fulton.....		120			3		3	21	160	2 3500					
Marshall.....	1	313		8	11	3	5	77	412	4 6500	1 1500	1600			900
McMechen.....	57	194	1	3	20	23	1	15	125	1 3000	1 2000	1700	17		625
Moundsville.....		551	2	4	13	7	1	50	365	1 9000	2 5000	141	40		11
Moundsville Circuit.....		616	1	7	10	6	6	65	400	6 8700		50			
New Martinsville.....	10	201	2		1		1	19	135	1 3500	1 3000	210	1200		
New Martinsville Circuit.....		212				6	6	36	240	4 1200					
Pleasant Valley.....	8	360	1	2	2	20	5	64	300	5 5000		100	25		
Proctor.....	12	220		3		6	7	49	300	4 4300		10		585	
Short Creek and Liberty.....	8	199		1	12	6	2	18	226	2 8000	1 700				
Silver Hill.....	29	352	1	2	1	12	9	74	362	9 6400	1 700	961	100		
Tradelphia.....	2	202		2	9	2	1	20	150	1 4000	1 2000	195			
Wheeling—Chapline Street.....	5	380		3	20	4	1	33	325	1 8000	1 3000	67			
Wheeling—Fourth Street.....	10	660	2	10	11	2	1	41	332	1 60000	1 12000				
Wheeling—North Street.....	39	373		2	32	10	1	28	300	1 10000	1 4000	225	420		
Wheeling—Thomson.....	5	348			10	6	1	37	360	1 20000	1 5000	100		2500	
Wheeling—Wesley.....	3	382	2	2	31	1	1	32	325	1 10000			600		
Wheeling—Zane Street.....	8	307		5	12	2	1	26	172	1 14000	1 4000	333	12	480	
Total.....	246	6959	13	61	212	138	58	775	5646	52 \$217100	16 \$ 48700	\$ 6557	\$ 3845	\$ 1014	

Statistics No. 3.

WHEELING DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUP'RT. OF P. ELDERS.		SUP. OF BISHOPS		Total support Pastors, Pre- siding Elders, and Bishops	CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		CURRENT EXPENSES			
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.	Am't apportioned.	Amount paid.	Am't apportioned.		Amount paid.	REC'D FROM		Total.	Church: Sexton, light, fuel, etc.	Sunday school: Lesson leaves, books, etc.
		Salary.	House rent.	Total.	Salary.	House rent.	Total.							Collections.	Other sources.			
Benwood	G. W. Bent.....	700	200	900	700	200	900	48	48	4	4	952	15	7	22	142	79	
Cameron.....	John Beddow.....	800	200	1000	800	200	1000	66	66	8	8	1074	25	8	33	225	100	
Cameron Circuit.....	W. B. Young.....	350		350	280		280	40	40	9	9	323	9		9	30	25	
Dallas.....	V. A. Nanna.....	600	75	675	548	75	623	76	76	9	9	702	5	5	10	95	20	
Fulton.....	W. T. Nicholson.....	540		540	540		540	30	30	2	2	572	5		5	90	60	
Marshall.....	C. H. Lakin.....	625	100	625	525	100	625	75	75	12	12	712	40	5	45	190	110	
McMechen.....	U. S. G. Carroll.....	500	36	536	500	36	536	30	30	2	2	568		5	5	100	25	
Moundsville.....	D. L. Ash.....	1200	200	1400	1200	200	1400	115	115	17	21	1536	60	12	72	300	251	
Moundsville Circuit...	D. W. Ruble.....	800		800	800		800	82	82	15	15	897	31		31	150	81	
New Martinsville.....	G. D. Smith.....	800	200	1000	800	200	1000	48	48	4	4	1052	13		13	60	60	
New Martinsville Cir't	W. L. Wayman.....	360		360	165		165	30	24			189				10	30	
Pleasant Valley.....	Arthur Merrill.....	535		535	535		535	55	55	4	4	594	10		10	130	35	
Proctor.....	Geo. E. Fuller.....	475		475	205		205	30	25	3	1	231				35	45	
Short Creek & Liberty	Grattin U. Balsley.....	600	100	700	600	100	700	78	78	12	5	783	35		35	75	40	
Silver Hill.....	E. E. King.....	526	75	601	533	75	608	60	60	4	4	672	20		20	58	27	
Triadelphia.....	Gregory Blakely.....	550	100	650	550	100	650	54	54	4	4	708	20	5	25	100	35	
Wheeling, Chapline St.	W. J. Harkness.....	1000	250	1250	1000	250	1250	80	80	16	16	1346	60		60	233	190	
Wheeling, Fourth St.	J. L. Sooy.....	2500	700	3200	2500	700	3200	280	280	40	40	3520	175		175	3210	323	
Wheeling, North St.	C. B. Graham.....	1000	300	1300	1000	300	1300	80	80	14	14	1394	20	30	50	235	235	
Wheeling, Thomson....	C. E. Clark.....	1200	400	1600	1300	400	1700	115	115	20	20	1835	120	16	136	900	175	
Wheeling, Wesley.....	S. P. Crummett.....	820	180	1000	820	180	1000	64	64	5	5	1069	35		39	235	175	
Wheeling, Zane Street.	E. D. Hanna.....	800	360	1160	800	360	1160	64	64		5	1229	10			228	68	
Total.....	Total.....	17181	3476	20657	16701	3476	20177	1600	1589	197	192	21958	708	93	801	6849	2189	

WHEELING DISTRICT.

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MINUTES OF WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.....	Sunday School Union..	Tract Society.....	Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Woman's Home Missionary Society.....	Total other Benevolent Collections.....	General Conference Expenses.....
	a. Church.....	b. Sunday School.	Total.....					a. Public educational collection..	b. Children's Fund					
Benwood.....	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$7	\$8	\$5	\$10	\$10	\$10	\$6	\$6
Cameron.....	40	60	100	2	2	2	10	32	4	10	10	10	12	12
Cameron Circuit.....	12	12	24	1	1	1	2	4	2	2	2	2	2	2
Dallas.....	5	5	30	2	2	2	2	5	5	10	10	10	1	1
Fulton.....	30	5	35	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3
Marshall.....	35	90	125	15	2	2	16	10	10	1	1	1	12	12
McMechen.....	5	15	20	2	1	1	2	10	10	1	1	1	4	4
Moundsville.....	48	252	300	21	4	4	21	4	30	94	94	94	20	20
Moundsville Circuit.....	154	16	170	13	3	3	15	10	37	170	170	170	5	5
New Martinsville.....	5	50	50	5	1	1	6	40	10	7	7	7	8	8
New Martinsville Circuit.....	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Pleasant Valley.....	67	15	82	3	1	1	3	6	6	1	1	1	4	4
Proctor.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	20
Short Creek and Liberty.....	44	10	54	5	3	3	5	5	5	13	13	13	12	12
Silver Hill.....	50	10	60	6	1	1	7	7	7	7	7	7	1	1
Triadelphia.....	45	35	80	8	1	1	11	11	11	11	11	11	6	6
Wheeling—Chapline Street.....	39	86	125	20	3	3	20	50	13	3	3	3	5	5
Wheeling—Fourth Street.....	412	358	770	45	10	10	57	125	41	30	407	469	40	40
Wheeling—North Street.....	20	55	75	16	3	3	17	20	20	5	5	5	64	64
Wheeling—Thomson Church.....	130	70	200	30	3	3	16	104	8	100	57	1200	10	10
Wheeling—Wesley Church.....	47	58	105	10	1	1	10	25	8	6	37	1	8	7
Wheeling—Zane Street.....	65	65	65	3	1	1	3	10	10	52	60	60	60	60
Total.....	\$ 1333	\$ 1202	\$ 2535	\$ 222	\$ 43	\$ 45	\$ 234	\$ 452	\$ 171	\$ 67	\$ 710	\$ 588	\$ 1305	\$ 177

Statistics No. 1.

RECAPITULATION.

DISTRICTS.	CHURCH MEMB'P.		BAPT'MS.		S. SCHOOLS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.									
	No. of probationers	No. of full members.....	No. of local preachers.....	No. of deaths	No. of children baptized.	No. of adults baptized.....	No. of schools.....	No. of officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars.....	No. of churches.....	Probable value	No. of parsonages	Probable value.....	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages	Paid on old indebtedness on church property.....	Present indebtedness on church property.....
Buckhannon.....	409	7469	25	68	46	228	130	1133	7233	122¾	\$127990	21	\$ 17676	\$ 7155	\$ 2321	\$ 5042
Cnarleston.....	422	4685	32	62	94	288	99	845	5937	73	73600	17	14575	6613	767	3552
Clarksburg.....	201	5431	14	69	11	251	81	654	4999	81	124750	17	20759	12857	1555	5330
Huntington.....	651	4227	45	45	42	228	82	613	4488	56½	62550	12	7350	3435	1292	3708
Morgantown.....	230	5895	19	61	49	179	75	721	4778	69	108150	14	25450	7263	1798	2131
New River.....	1057	4663	40	60	52	217	103	634	4511	56½	36400	12	5000	3403	260	480
Oakland.....	386	5279	17	58	164	231	96	777	5583	72¾	70225	18	16450	4427	485	2552
Parkersburg.....	320	6050	22	75	41	269	104	908	5874	98	132450	17	21750	5753	675	1135
Wheeling.....	246	6959	13	61	212	138	58	775	5646	52	217100	16	48700	6557	3845	10414
Total this year.....	3922	50658	227	559	711	2029	828	7060	49049	680½	\$931165	144	\$177701	\$ 43463	\$ 13198	\$34344
Total last year.....	4055	50040	446	524	689	2639	792	6731	45542	653	921362	134	168800	53180	13957	37956
Increase .....	.....	618	.....	35	22	.....	36	.....	3507	.....	\$ 9803	10	\$ 8901	\$ 9717	\$ 759	\$ 3612
Decrease.....	133	.....	19	.....	.....	610	.....	329	.....	37 5-12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

RECAPITULATION.

DISTRICTS.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Ex- tension.....	Sunday School Union..	Tract Society.....	Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society.....	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society	Woman's Home Mis- sionary Society.....	Woman's Foreign Mis- sionary Society.....	Total other Benevolent Collections.....	General Conference Ex- penses.....
	a. Church.....	b. Sunday School.	Total.....					a. Public educa- tional collection..	b. Children's Fund					
Buckhannon	\$ 842	\$ 353	\$ 1195	\$ 155	\$ 28	\$ 33	\$ 98	\$ 223	\$ 48	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 40	\$ 77	
Charleston.....	411	286	697	45	15	15	48	67	66	65	1	1	133	
Clarksburg.....	688	296	984	173	22	23	65	149	89	1	1	159	348	
Huntington.....	567	145	712	60	24	26	40	47	50	117	1	8	223	
Morgantown.....	927	434	1361	140	22	21	91	152	100	25	146	1	323	
New River.....	290	17	307	40	3	2	15	23	6	.....	.....	.....	6	
Oakland.....	842	236	1078	166	27	28	88	222	64	4	94	3	364	
Parkersburg.....	1072	597	1669	145	28	26	119	226	106	50	196	3	408	
Wheeling.....	1333	1202	2535	222	43	45	234	452	171	67	710	588	1305	
Total this year.....	\$ 6972	\$ 3566	\$ 10538	\$ 1146	\$ 212	\$ 219	\$ 798	\$ 1561	\$ 700	\$ 168	\$ 1342	\$ 594	\$ 1627	
Total last year.....	6330	3109	9439	821	187	169	654	1311	457	135	1154	349	278	
Increase.....	\$ 642	\$ 457	\$ 1099	\$ 325	\$ 25	\$ 50	\$ 144	\$ 250	\$ 243	\$ 33	\$ 188	\$ 245	\$ 681	
Decrease.....														

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOURTH CONVENTION
— OF THE —
WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Fifth Convention, Buckhannon. June 26, 27 and 28, 1900.

On the evening of Tuesday, June 27th, 1899, the opening session of the fourth convention of the West Virginia Conference Epworth League was held in Andrew's Methodist Episcopal Church, Grafton, W. Va. The handsome auditorium was beautifully and artistically decorated, and filled to its utmost capacity. Mr. Wm. B. Mathews, President, occupied the chair. The chorus and congregation, led by Dr. A. R. Warden, of Grafton, rendered an inspiring song service, followed by special music by the Sunday School orchestra.

After the invocation by Rev. F. N. Lynch, of Grafton, the President introduced Rev. J. L. Sooy, D. D., of Wheeling, whose address, "Thoughts for Twentieth Century Leaguers," filled all with a desire to have "thoughts to action turn."

At the close of the address Rev. F. N. Lynch welcomed the delegates to Grafton in a few well chosen words, and then invited all to the lecture room below, where the convention was royally entertained and feasted by the Grafton Chapter. Here the social temper of the Epworthians exhibited itself so thoroughly that the supplementary musical programme was abandoned. The evening was a social as well as a physical feast of good things, and created a feeling of unity among the Epworthians which was carried into the business of the convention.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Wednesday, June 28.

MORNING SESSION.

At 6:30 a. m., "First Things for God," a song and praise service was conducted by Rev. S. J. Miller, of Point Pleasant. The attendance was large and the hour a very profitable one.

At 8:30 the President and Secretary conducted a very impressive "Service of Silence," the doors being closed during the meeting.

Following this came "Songs of Praise," Bible reading and prayer by Rev. R. B. Ward, of Oakland, Md., which was a fitting prelude to the business session, which began promptly at 9:30, with President Mathews in the chair.

Mrs. Carrie Besserer, of Charleston, Superintendent of Junior Work of the Society of Christian Endeavor of West Virginia, was introduced. She made a most earnest plea for the Junior Work among Epworthians. Her address was highly appreciated, and the convention tendered a vote of thanks for her earnest and timely words.

President Mathews read his biennial report, which showed increased interest and encouraging growth in numbers, there being two hundred Chapters and about 11,000 members in our territory.

Miss Jessie Trotter, Treasurer, presented her report, and made an appeal on behalf of the treasury, which was promptly responded to.

All the districts, with the exception of New River, reported through their District President, each report being followed by reports from the Chapters of the district.

Mrs. N. R. C. Morrow, State President of the W. C. T. U., was presented to the convention, and delivered an address on "Union for Temperance."

Delegates bearing fraternal greetings from the Baptist Sunday School convention in session at Grafton, were introduced.

Rev. B. B. Evans, of Huntington, made an enthusiastic talk on "Indianapolis, '99."

Committees were announced on Resolutions, Nomination of Officers Place of Next Meeting, and Constitution and By-Laws.

Adjourned with benediction.

MINUTES OF WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2:00 o'clock four Departmental Conferences were held simultaneously, presided over by the Vice Presidents. The subjects discussed were as follows:

Spiritual Department, Key Word: "Trust." The Ideal Spiritual Department, Ruts to Avoid, Use of the Bible, Spirituality and Organization; or Machinery vs. Power.

Mercy and Help Department, Key Word: "Touch." The Ideal Mercy and Help Department, Others Besides Self, Union for Temperance Work, Calling in a Systematic Way, Hints and Hinderances.

Literary Department, Key Word: "Think." The Ideal Literary Department, How to Conduct Reading Circles, Intellectual Requirements for the New Century, New Ways of Working, Knowledge is Power.

Social Department, Key Word: "Tell." The Ideal Social Department, Epworth Idea of a Good Time, Let Our Socials be for Souls rather than for Silver.

At 4:00 o'clock a Patriotic Service was held in the Auditorium, with Judge John Holt, of Grafton, presiding. After singing and invocation, Hon. Charles H. Grosvenor, member of Congress from Ohio, was introduced and delivered an eloquent address on "Christian Citizenship." Rev. S. K. Arbuthnot, Chaplain First Regiment, W. Va. Vol. Inf., followed with an address on "Some Camp Experiences." After several short speeches the audience rendered "America" with truly patriotic fervor, and the meeting closed with the benediction.

EVENING SESSION.

The programme provided for a Wesley Evening. After the opening services consisting of Wesley hymns, convention prayer, and music by the orchestra, an address, "The World's Greatest Methodist," was delivered by Rev. S. V. Leech, D. D., of Morgantown, much to the pleasure and profit of the audience.

Singing and orchestral music and the benediction closed a most profitable day.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Thursday, June 29.

At 6:00 a. m., Miss Martha Graham, of Wheeling, conducted "The Morning Watch."

At 8:45 Rev. F. S. Townsend, of Parkersburg, conducted the opening services.

At 9:00 o'clock the convention was called to order by President Mathews. Greetings were received from Secretary Oliphant, of the C. E. Society, then in session at Cameron, and fraternal greetings from this convention were ordered sent to the C. E. convention at that place.

Committee on Place of Next Meeting reported recommending Buckhannon, and it was unanimously chosen as the next meeting place.

Report of Miss Pearl Dorsey, Superintendent of Junior League, was read.

Rev. D. A. Denton, editor of the *Methodist Episcopal Times*, presented the claims of his paper in an address, "Keep up with the *Times*; Write and Remit."

Rev. Joseph F. Berry, D. D., editor of the *Epworth Herald*, and Rev. G. R. Brown, of the M. P. Church, this city, were introduced to the convention.

A school of methods, conducted by Dr. Berry, occupied a large part of the day. Yesterday's conferences on Spiritual Work and Mercy and Help were reported to the convention, and Dr. Berry delivered addresses upon both subjects.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Committee on Resolutions reported recommending: (1) Vigorous opposition to the seating of Brigham H. Roberts, Congressman-elect from Utah. (2) Endorsing our Conference Seminary at Buckhannon and recommending the raising of \$10,000 by the Leagues of the Conference for the purpose of building a gymnasium. (3) Opposing the Army Canteen and condemning Attorney General Griggs' adverse decision of the law recently passed by Congress which aimed to abolish the canteen system. (4) Favoring the abandonment of the Fourth General Conference District Epworth League. The above, in addition to the usual complimentary resolutions, were unanimously adopted.

The Committee on Nomination of Officers presented its report, and the election resulted as follows:

MINUTES OF WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

President—H. C. Compton, Grafton.

First Vice President—N. F. Kendall, Fetterman.

Second Vice President—Miss Anna Pelley, Benwood.

Third Vice President—F. M. Moats, Harrisville.

Fourth Vice President—Miss Estella M. McNash, Wheeling.

Secretary—C. H. Molony, Wheeling.

Treasurer—Miss Jessie Trotter, Buckhannon.

Junior Superintendent—Miss Mattie Proudfoot, Grafton.

Board of Control—Miss Ella Coombs, Miss M. R. Petticord, Williams, A. R. Warden, Ed. Hall, Boyd, David Dick.

Reports from the Literary and Social Departmental Conferences of yesterday were heard, which was followed by a discussion of the work of these departments and the Departments of Correspondence and Finance, conducted by Dr. Berry.

An hour of Junior League exercises, participated in by Juniors from Webster, Fairmont and Grafton Chapters, was much enjoyed, and a vote of thanks was tendered the Superintendents and the little ones.

Dr. Berry presented the claims of the *Epworth Herald*, and Prof. S. L. Boyers of the Conference Seminary.

Dr. E. M. Mills, of Elmyra, N. Y., addressed the convention on "The Twentieth Century Movement."

The Committee on Constitution reported amendments as follows, which were adopted: Providing for the election of officers upon general nomination in open convention; defining and enlarging the powers of the Board of Control; providing for the holding of a convention in the year 1900, and biennially thereafter; assessing each Chapter one cent per member for the expenses of the Conference League.

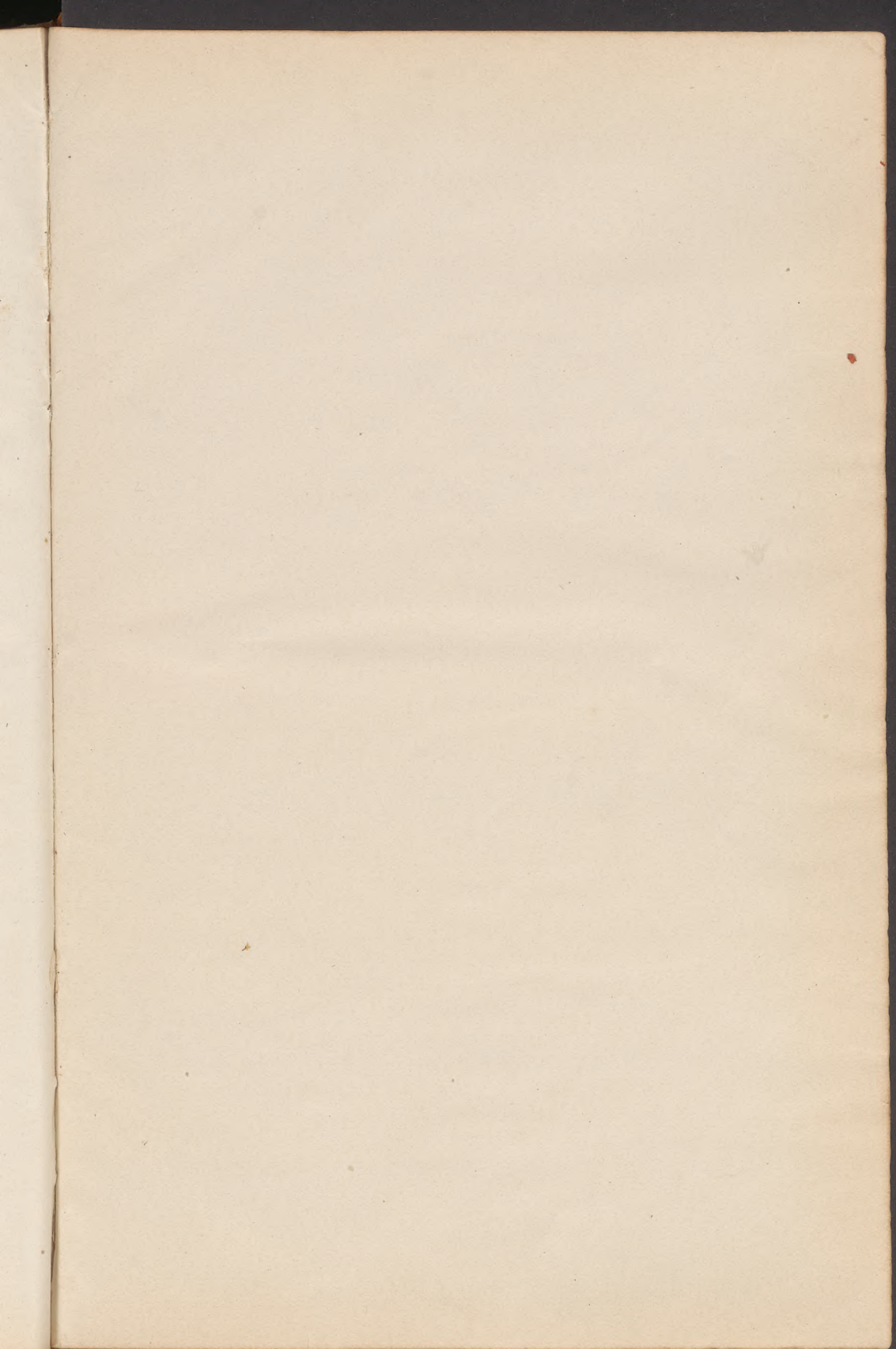
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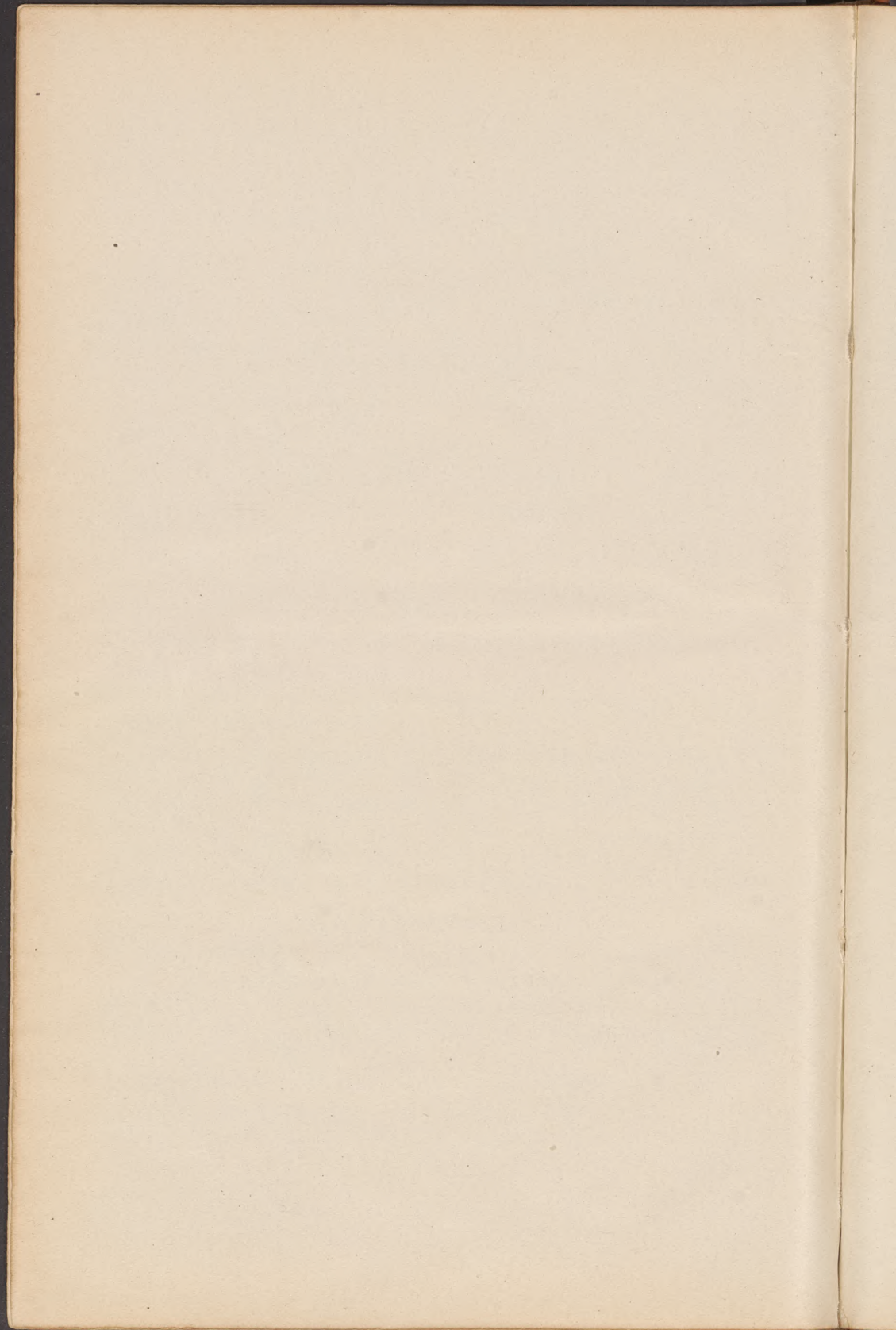
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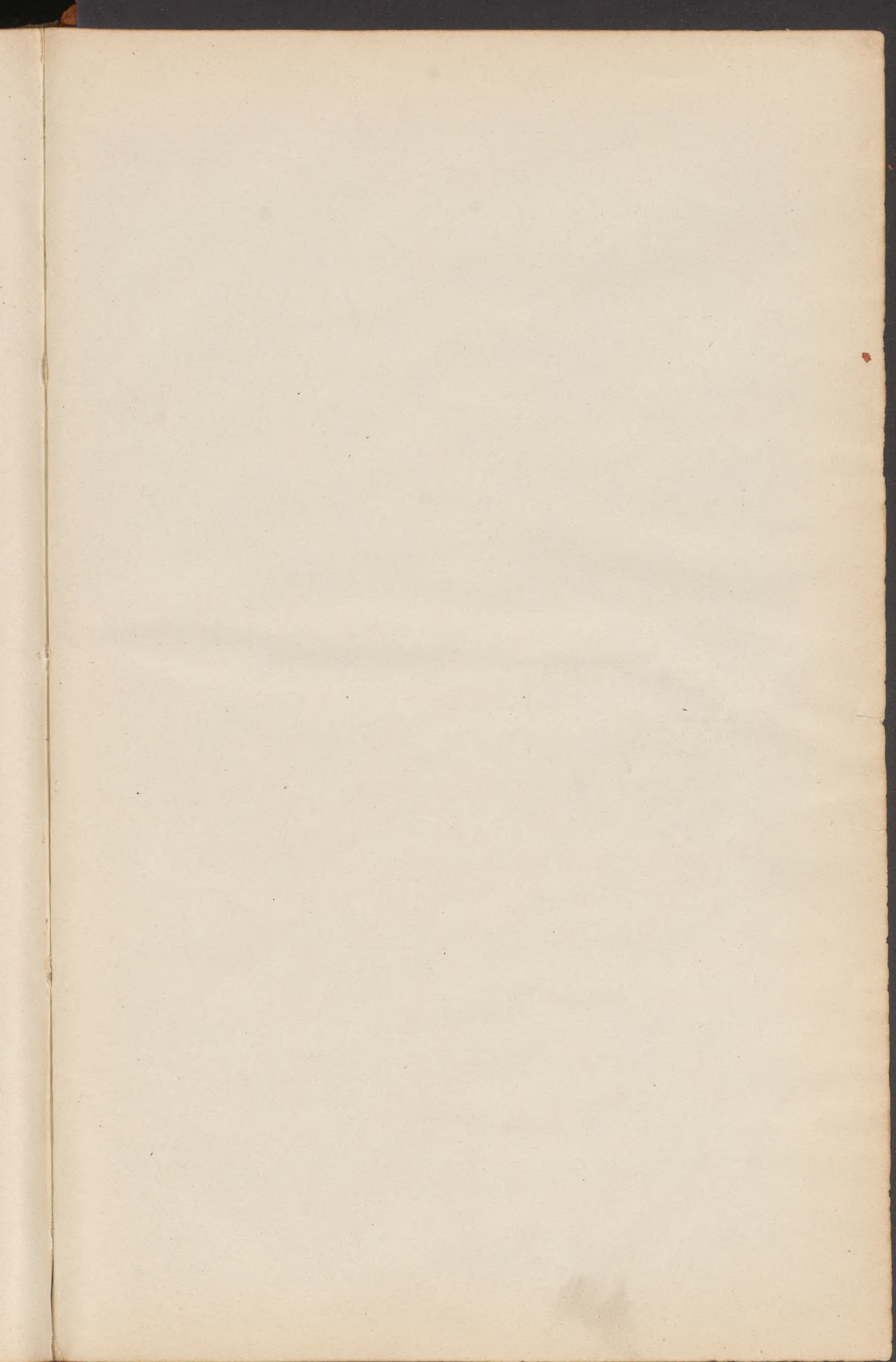
Dr. J. F. Berry delivered an address, "Lend a Hand," which was full of inspiration. A consecration service followed, led by Rev. F. N. Lynch, of Grafton. We are sure this service will never be forgotten. It was a truly pentecostal evening.

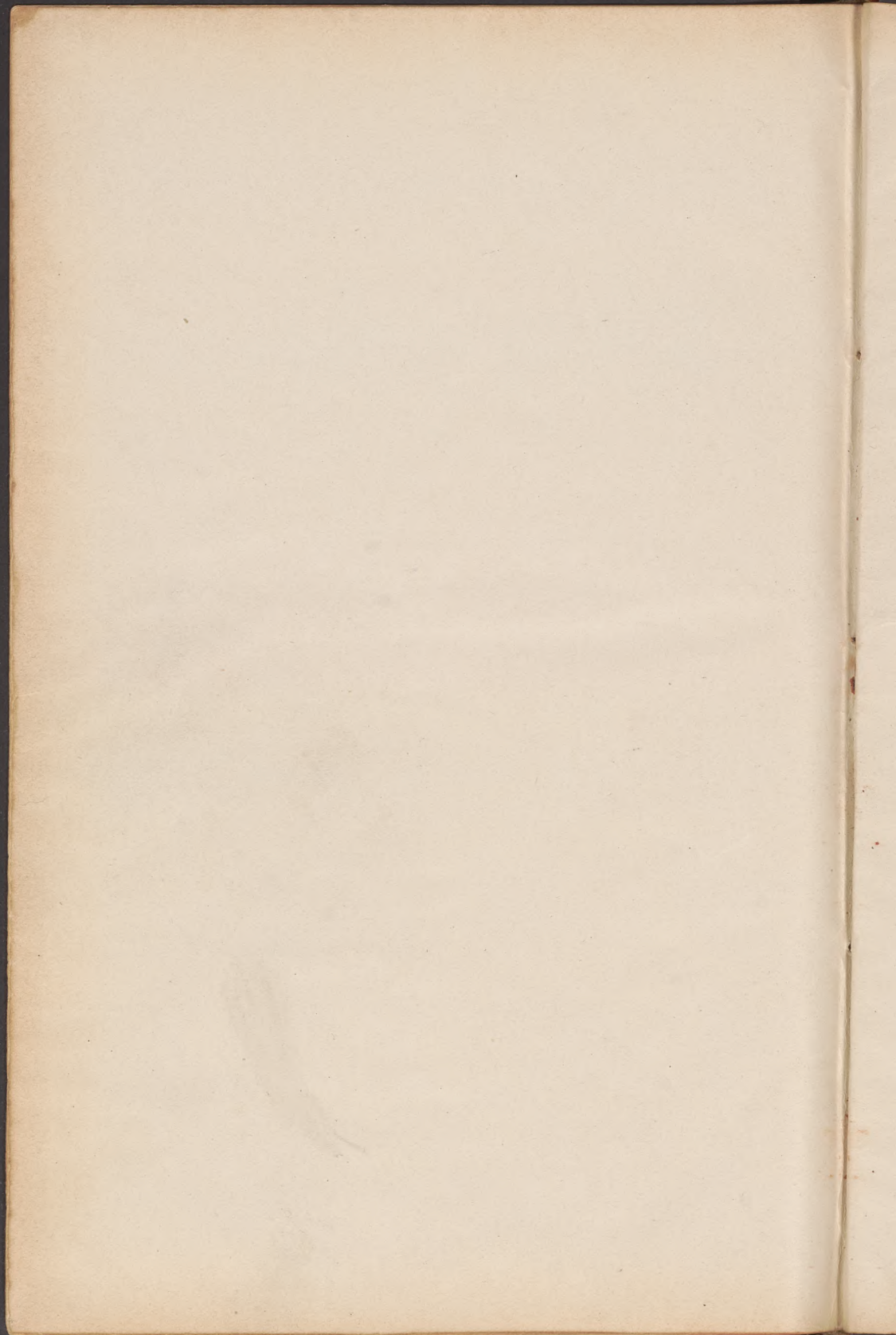
Benediction and adjournment closed this most successful convention.

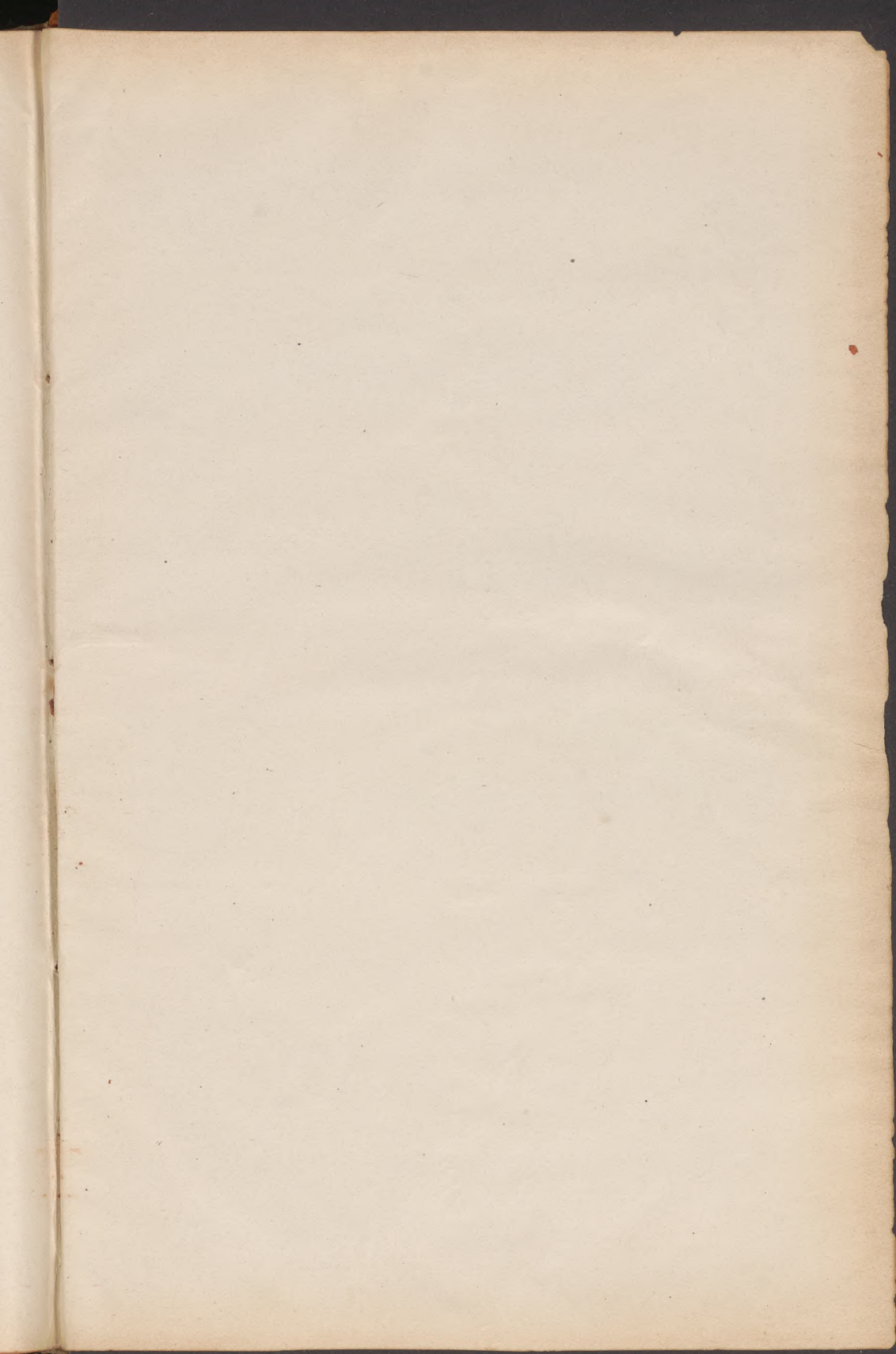
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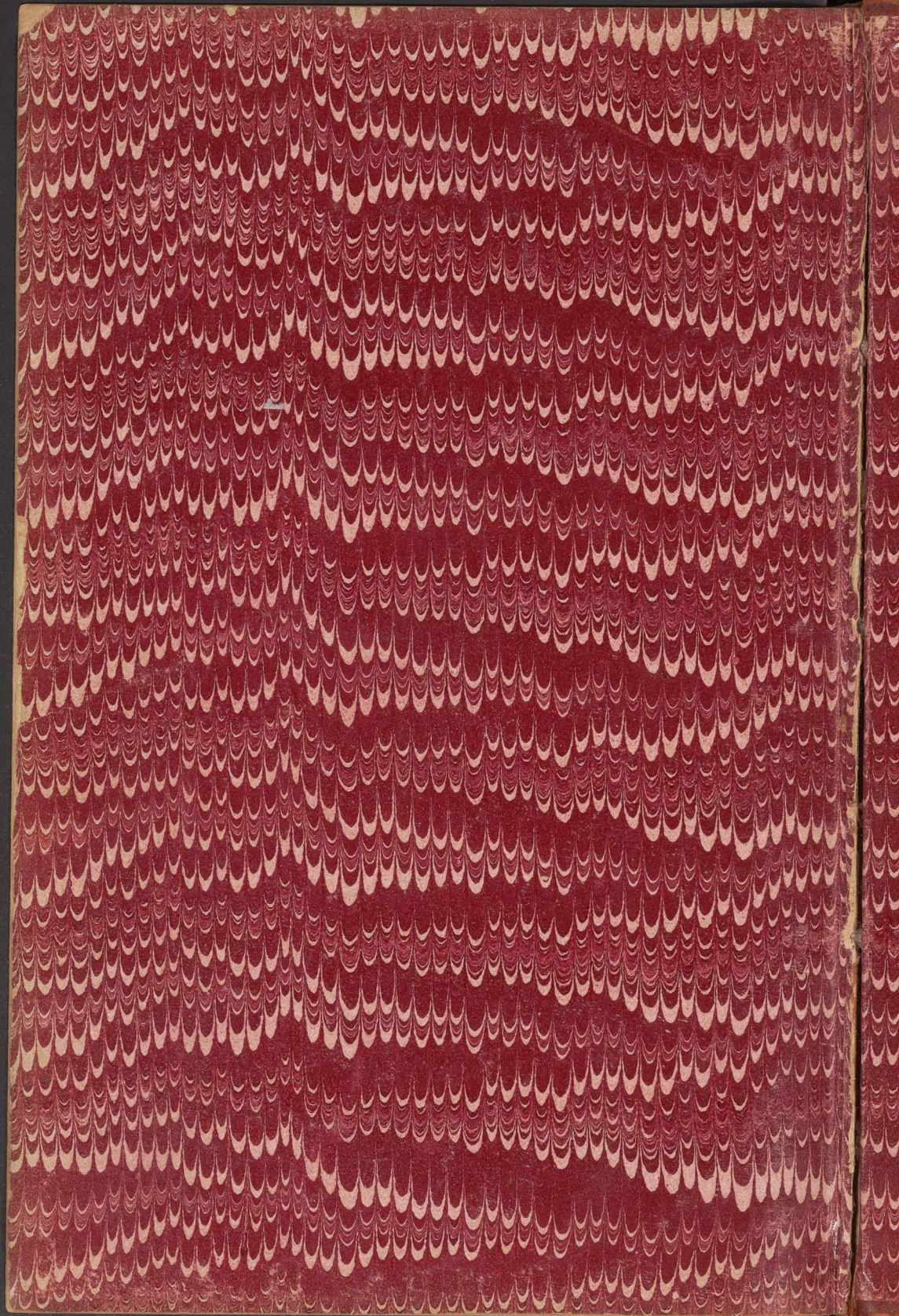








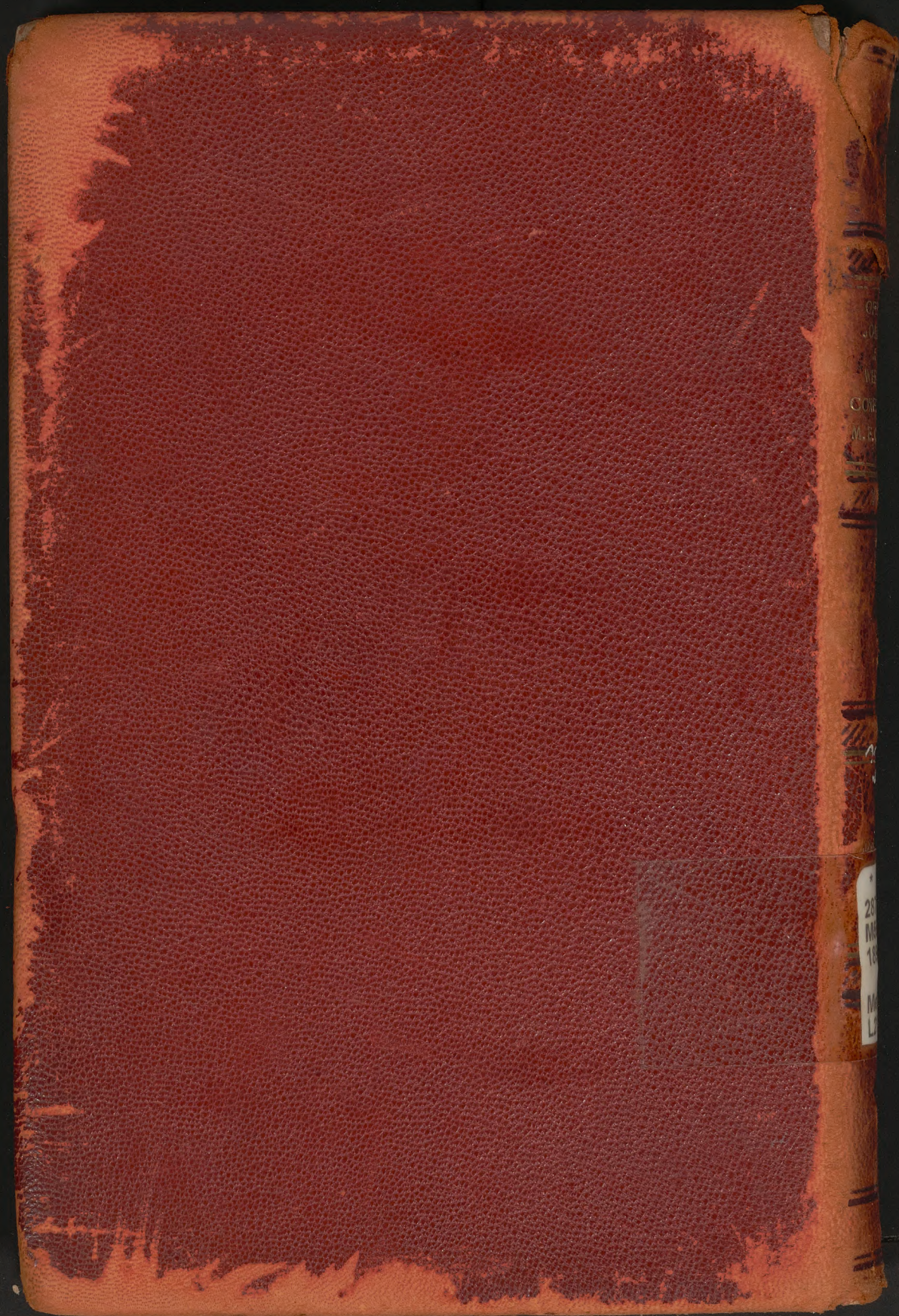




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